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CAMPBELL WRAY DIRECTS
SACRED MUSIC SCHOOL



J. CAMPBELL WRAY

BY RALPH D. CHURCHILL

Dr. E. D. Hear, president of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has announced the appointment of Mr. J. Campbell Wray as Director of the School of Sacred Music to succeed Rev. E. L. Carnett, who resigned to enter the pastorate. Mr. Wray has been a member of the music faculty here since September 1, 1943, when he became head of the department of Choir and Choral Conducting. He is at present also the director of music for the University Baptist Church, Fort Worth. He will assume his new duties on January 1, 1947.

Mr. Wray holds the Bachelor of Sacred Music degree from the seminary's School of Sacred Music and the M. A. degree from the Southwest Teachers College, San Marcos, Texas. He has done graduate work in the University of Texas College of Fine Arts, the Westminster Choir School and the American Conservatory of Music.

Mr. Wray is without a peer in the South as a Choir and Choral Conductor. He served for 16 years as coordinator of the Music for the Austin, Texas, city schools and as director of music for the First Baptist Church, Austin. He is a thorough Baptist, the son of a Baptist preacher, and a deeply spiritual leader.

Chinese Mission Work Advanced 50 Years By Relief Campaign

Secretary Rankin Found No Defeatism But Much Inflation

"The success of Southern Baptists' campaign to raise \$3,500,000 for relief and rehabilitation has set Baptist work in China ahead fifty years in its recovery from the effects of war," asserted Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, the day he returned to the home office after a three-months' survey of the four missions of the Board in China.

"Unless Baker James Cauthen and I had had assurance that relief and rehabilitation funds would be provided by this campaign, we would have been utterly unable to deal with the tremendous problems we faced in the Orient on this trip," Dr. Rankin continued.

He received the good news of the campaign's success when he landed in

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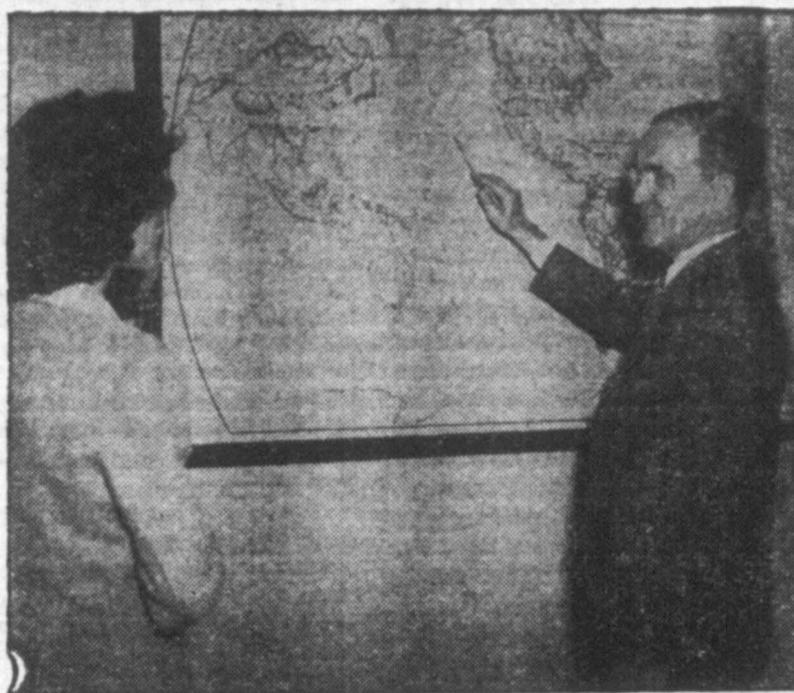
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God's Business Man Goes Global

In what well may be the beginning of his world witness for Christ, Mr. R. G. LeTourneau flew from the world's greatest city, New York, to the second greatest city, London, to keep a series of speaking engagements in some of the leading cities of England and Scotland. These meetings were arranged by Dr. Harold Strathearn, director of the LeTourneau Evangelistic Center, who has been in Great Britain since early September.

Leaving via Pan-American, Mr. Le-

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Dr. M. Theron Rankin traced his flight via the Hawaiian Baptist mission to Shanghai for two members of the home office staff when he reached Richmond after a 30,000-mile trip in the interest of relief and rehabilitation. He crossed the Pacific Ocean each way in less than one week. He covered more than 8,000 miles on the continent of Asia, to survey relief needs in the four main centers of Southern Baptist mission work.

Russian Baptists Send Greetings To Baptists Of America

Naming five distinctive features of the Baptists of Russia and emphasizing the fact that they have religious freedom, Russian Baptists have written a letter addressed to the Baptists of America setting forth the Baptist position in Russia.

Written at the request of Dr. Louie D. Newton, who recently returned from a visit among Russian Baptists, the letter states that Russian Baptists are united, preach the pure Gospel, feature church purity and sanctification, consider the simplicity of the early "principle to carry on God's work in Russia with their own means."

The letter emphasizes the fact that Religious Freedom is a reality, that they publish a religious paper, the Bible, the New Testament, and song books, and that they plan to open a theological seminary.

EDITOR'S NOTE: From a careful reading of Dr. Newton's previous articles and from other sources, we believe that what the Russians have is **FREEDOM OF RELIGION**.

The letter signed by the officers of

the Union of Evangelical Christian Baptists follows:

NOTE FROM DR. NEWTON: During that long and cherished conference with our Baptist leaders of the USSR, I asked them if they would give me a statement

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The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar
**CHURCH LOBBYISTS WEIGH
REGISTRATION**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There is an undercurrent of resentment among church representatives here in regard to the so-called "lobbying act," passed in the closing days of the 79th Congress and it's highly doubtful that many who would seem to come within provisions of the act will register.

Only one "lobbyist" even remotely connected with religion has registered thus far. She is Miss Elizabeth Smart, legislative representative for the Women's Christian Temperance Union. It is generally assumed that there are other church representatives who spend much more time on Capitol Hill than does Miss Smart.

The Baptists are so perplexed about

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Baptist State Convention Speakers



Dr. R. G. Lee will attend the Mississippi Baptist Convention in Jackson, November 12-14 and deliver his famous sermon, "The Menace of Mediocrity."



Dr. J. W. (Bill) Marshall, Richmond, Virginia, will represent the Foreign Mission Board at the Mississippi Baptist Convention which meets in Jackson November 12-14.

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**CHINESE MISSION WORK
ADVANCED 50 YEARS BY RELIEF
CAMPAIGN**

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Honolulu October 11. Until that date, he had believed the false report that the final total was \$2,700,000.

"In China during July, August, and September, we dispensed large sums of money in the name of Southern Baptists, and it would have been easy for us to assume the role of the benevolent, kindly philanthropists doling out cash to the under privileged," Dr. Rankin stated.

"Instead, on every hand, we reminded the Chinese Christians that we had come to share their burdens. We have not been invaded; we have not had our homes destroyed and our cities bombed; we have not had our means of livelihood removed. We escaped the horrors which the Chinese endured. We feel that as Christians we must share our abundance with fellow Christians who have lost everything and must start over to build their homes, schools, and churches."

No Defeatism In China

Dr. Rankin was impressed by the complete absence of defeatism in China. "In spite of all their suffering and their losses, the Chinese Baptists have undertaken their postwar job with zeal and enthusiasm. They have not once thought of abandoning it; they have accomplished wonders in reconstruction in the short time since the surrender."

The vast numbers of people who look to American Christians for help today are the so-called white collar class, Dr. Rankin stated. CNRRA, the local branch of UNRRA, has food and clothing for the destitute masses, refugees, and famine victims, but the school teachers, doctors, pastors, Bible women, and others must have relief which can not be procured through government agencies.

"There are millions of this group of people who are living far below minimum health standards," Dr. Rankin said. "In the colleges and high schools medical examinations of students show an alarming average loss in weight. President Henry H. Lin of the University of Shanghai, an athlete himself, is unable to have a basketball team this year because the student body of a thousand has too few men who can measure up to the physical qualifications basketball requires."

These young people and their parents do not stand in bread lines, the secretary said, but they cannot afford adequate food on their present incomes. Southern Baptists have furnished \$750,000 for this type of relief, to be administered as always through church committees, after careful investigation of each case. Student relief, salary supplement, and other plans help to take care of the acute needs of Baptist families whose income has not increased with the cost of living. The largest single item of relief is for destitute people in general, to be distributed through the churches as relief agents.

"China does not lack food," Dr. Rankin declared. "Those who have money to buy it can get something to eat, but the cost is prohibitive on many essential items of food."

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Evidently people read the Record. Recently we published a notice that a church was pastorless and we gave the name of the chairman of the pulpit committee. He writes as follows: "As to the notice in the Record we have had many letters, many appearing to be from pastors who would make sacrifices to come to our church."

**RUSSIAN BAPTISTS SEND
GREETINGS TO BAPTISTS OF
AMERICA**

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to be released to the Baptists of America, setting out over their signatures, the Baptists situation in Russia. I asked for this statement, would like to write my own impressions, and feeling that our people would like to have from the Russian brethren, themselves, an estimate of their present and future purposes and plans. This statement was handed to me in Moscow, and I gave it to Mr. Michael Urnov, an official of the Soviet Government and one of the leading scholars of Moscow, asking him to translate it and then pass it on to Mr. Manning Williams of the U. S. Embassy in Moscow, who kindly reviewed it and sent it to me in the U. S. Embassy mail pouch, marked, "Unrestricted." I make this explanation in order that the reader may clearly understand that this statement of our Baptist leaders in Russia was translated by a man who had the authority to withhold it, but who promptly translated it, passed it on to our Embassy, and it came through without any restrictions of censorship. I could have handled the translation otherwise, asking Mrs. Naimark to do it, and bringing the statement directly home with me; or, I might have brought it on and had it translated here. But I purposely chose the other way, thus laying myself liable to any form of censorship and restriction. The reader will draw his or her own conclusion about "the iron curtain," insofar as my movements in Russia were concerned.

—LOUIS D. NEWTON.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Taking advantage of the visit to our country, of our esteemed brother, Dr. Louie D. Newton, communion with whom has afforded us much joy and spiritual pleasure, the U.S.S.R. Council of Evangelical Christian Baptists, in the name of all our Russian Brothers and Sisters, send you a hearty and brotherly greeting.

Dr. Newton has asked us to write you a letter, and it gives us great joy to comply with his request.

There is much happiness in the life of our Russian Baptist brotherhood, and we feel it of value to share this happiness with you.

We should, first of all, note several specific features of our spiritual life and activity with which you, Baptists of the United States of America, may not be familiar, and which may somewhat distinguish our Christianity from yours.

There are five such distinctive features of the Christian Baptists of the USSR.

1. The principle of Unity.

Three large rivers—the Baptists, Evangelical Christians and Pentecostals, who share the Baptist religious principles of resurrection and baptism—have fused into one mighty river which now flows its beneficent waters all over our vast country.

All secondary differences which formerly, before our union, separated these three religious currents, are being smoothed out more and more in mutual understanding and brotherly love and are growing and strengthening, in friendly, harmonious work of the Kingdom of God in our beloved land.

2. The preaching of the pure Gospel.

Our entire Evangelical Baptist brotherhood maintains fundamental views. We painstakingly preserve the purity of the Evangelistic and Evangelical teaching.

The Cross of Calvary, the sin-offering of Christ, His precious blood—such is the central theme of our dogmatics and our preaching.

We seek to bring to the world our Saviour just as He is given to us in the pages of the Gospels. We emphasize the divine nature of Christ. We do not deny a single one of His miracles. We do not deny a single one of His miracles. We do



not remove a single one of His words. The complete Gospel is our dogmatics.

3. The preaching of sanctification.

The spiritual depth, purity and sanctity of the life of our churches and their members—this is what occupies first place in our educational work. We do not strive for numbers, although we take joy in the conversion of every sinner. Figures interest us very little, and we are not especially concerned with statistics of our members. This is a specific feature of ours, and we do not consider it a bad one. The purity of the church and the highly Christian life of its members are most important for us.

It seems to us that in many countries Christianity suffers with the restless spirit of Martha. We inculcate upon our members the spirit of Mary—that is the spirit of deep, meditative Christianity, which is acquired by her stay at the feet of Christ.

4. The spirit of Early Christianity.

The simplicity of the early days of Christianity is our ideal, and we strive for it in all our life and work. We do not strive for outer gloss and noisy advertising. Most of our blessings we received not in luxurious and costly houses of prayer, but in simple rooms of the type of the Jerusalem chamber.

We see how often a departure from the simplicity of the early days of Christianity leads to spiritual death and a Laodicean spirit, and that the inner life wanes in spite of the outer gloss and superficial beauty of the ritual.

5. It is our principle to carry on God's work in our country with our own means.

The observance of this rule has developed in our Russian churches the spirit of selfless physical service and sacrifice, not only of everything within their power, but even beyond their power.

Complete Religious Freedom

We have listed all the features characteristic of the spiritual life and activity of our brotherhood, and we have complete religious freedom to carry them out day after day. We deeply respect our Soviet Government, which has given us this freedom and protects it from any violation whatever. The Gospels are preached freely, and thousands of sinners repent and turn to Christ. There is not a single church of ours which does not have its conversions. We have information that during the first half of this summer already thirty thousands newly converted souls were baptized. And an equal number will be baptized during the second half of this summer.

We publish a journal "Bratsky Vestnik" (Brotherly News) which carries throughout the Soviet Union the news of our work and the blessings received from the Lord.

We are publishing the Bible, the New Testament, and books of spiritual songs. We shall continue to publish there until we have satisfied all need for this material.

A SCHOOL FOR PREACHERS

We shall soon open a school to train our preachers. The Orthodox Church has

GOD'S BUSINESS MAN GOES

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Tourneau went abroad together with Mr. Robert F. Nelson, executive vice-president of R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., and Mr. Carl Estes of Longview, Tex. Fellow passengers aboard the giant clipper included world-famous Helen Keller and ex-ambassador to Britain, John C. Winant.

Elaborate plans to welcome America's industrialist-philanthropist and outstanding Christian layman have been laid in the key cities where he will appear.

Included in the itinerary are Newcastle-on-Tyne, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Bradford, Birmingham, York, Stockton-on-Tees, Jarrow-on-Tyne, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, London and Southampton.

The crowning even of this overseas sojourn was the dedication on October 26th of Mr. LeTourneau's new factory at Stockton-on-Tees, England. Impressive ceremonies with spiritual emphasis marked the entrance of R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., into the industrial life of Great Britain.

True to his deep-seated convictions, "R. G." will disclaim either credit or glory for the achievements which have brought him renown both in the business world and in the Christian church.

Upon his return to America on November 6th, Mr. LeTourneau, beginning at New York City, will again plunge into his active witnessing for Christ from coast to coast and from Canada to the Gulf, which heretofore has caused some to name him "America's No. 1 Christian Layman." However, following this trip to England, the urgent invitations he has received from Cuba, Columbia, France, and other countries, may well cause Mr. LeTourneau to go completely global.

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Dr. William Potter, Carthage pastor, is in a meeting with the Levi Baptist Church, just south of Memphis. The meeting began October 30 and will continue through November 6. While in the Memphis meeting the Carthage pastor will speak to the Memphis Baptist Pastor's Conference, November 4 and address the luncheon meeting of the Memphis chapter of National Laymen's Evangelistic Association at the Hotel Gaoyao on November 1.

CARTHAGE: A school bus is being used each morning to bring folks from the Deckman Lumber Camp community, near here, to the Sunday School and morning worship services.

anticipated us in this respect, but we shall soon catch up to it.

Just as we do spiritual work, we also do charitable work. Regular monthly offerings are made in all our churches for the children of soldiers who died during the war. These offerings provide large funds.

Ah, if you but saw the enthusiasm of our Russian believers! How much fire. How much love for Christ and our fellow-men, how much self-sacrifice, how much simplicity in Christ!

We are far from proud, but we sincerely wish to light the entire world with the light of Christ, and to be a model of living Christianity and simplicity of the days of the Apostles.

Accept this letter of ours as fraternal news of those who love you and pray for you, your brothers and sisters in the belief in Jesus Christ, who are scattered over the boundless expanses of our Soviet Union.

In the name of the Union of Evangelical Christian Baptists, Presidium of the All-Union Council:

Moscow,

August 7, 1946

Chairman, Y. Zhidkov, Second Chairman, M. Golyshev; Second Chairman, M. Orlov; Treasurer, P. Malin, General Secretary, A. Karev.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." I Corinthians 1:23.

I

For the convention year ending October 31, 1945, monies came by way of the Co-operative Program alone through the Convention Board office for all causes in the amount of \$522,811.94. That is quite a volume of money and suggests something of the effectiveness of the Co-operative Program despite many special campaigns. For the same year State Missions received through the Co-operative Program alone \$98,958.97. That is well over half of the entire State Mission budget for the year. Thus the Co-operative Program helps again. Christian Education received the same amount through the Co-operative Program. Receipts from the twenty Southern States, multiplied by twenty times, contributed to the southwide and worldwide causes. Let us major more and more on the Co-operative Program if we would undergird all the work of Christ.

The figure above does not, of course, include designations.

II

At the November Convention, Mississippi Baptists will face, among others, the imperative needs of four institutions. First, the Mississippi College campaign should be successfully closed. We understand that they will probably need about \$200,000 above the originally planned \$600,000. Second, the hospital building program should be successfully consummated. It appears that they will need \$100,000 in new money for this purpose. Third, Clarke Memorial College needs a few hundred thousand dollars for buildings and equipment. Many Mississippi Baptists are very anxious to see something done for Clarke Memorial NOW. Fourth, if Woman's College is to open in 1947 as planned, she must have some big money. How are these needs to be met?

First, we may go along as we have been going with a fair emphasis upon the Co-operative Program as a channel for all causes and a flood of special campaigns. This office well realizes the fact that for the finest church and denominational constructive building we have been having too many special campaigns. This office did not initiate a single one of these campaigns. We have had the privilege of helping all but one toward a successful conclusion.

Second, we may increase our emphasis on the Co-operative Program as a channel for our tithes and offerings to all the causes beyond the local church and definitely and rigidly limit the number of financial campaigns by institutions and causes each year. There are those who see an occasional special campaign in New Testament life.

Third, we may really give ourselves to an all out promotion of the Co-operative Program as undergirding all of our work and cancel out all church to church campaigns by our institutions. Each institution will, of course, have the field for person to person solicitation of funds. A growing number of brethren favor this plan.

The interest of this office in the various institutions and causes has been proved by works and not by mere words in the past. That interest is sustained, and we feel sure the institutions and causes understand it to be so. If we keep to the special campaigns, this office will co-operate. If the Convention turns to a primary emphasis on the Co-operative Program, we will expect to play the game according to the rules and in the spirit of Christ.

One problem, though not an impossible one, lies in the fact that most of our churches will have their 1947 budgets set up by the meeting of the Convention. It is probable that many of the churches and many of the members are making allowances in their budgets for some sort of special campaign. If special campaigns are eliminated, out of love for Christ and in fairness to His Work there should then be an adjustment in the budget looking toward a large amount to the Co-operative Program.

A larger danger to our people is that we may follow them to hide behind budgets and pledges and continue to rob God.

Last year Mississippi Baptists gave \$4,500,000 to all causes when the lowest estimate we have seen as to our total tithe had it \$16,000,000. More and more we believe the people of God should sign up "by God's standard rather than by man's standard." God's plan is in tithes and offerings!

We should, therefore, covenant with God and with one another that we will bring tithes and offerings from our incomes into the work of the Lord. If God's people would do this thing, there would be money enough for all His work in the local church and all around the world!

When we love the Lord enough, and when we love lost souls enough, and when we love one another as Christians, we will do this thing along with many others!

III

"A NEED BEING MET"

(Summary of a message delivered at the Mississippi Baptist Music Convention.)

Our convictions regarding a music program for a New Testament church are based, first, upon the scriptures, and, second, upon experience. I find the people singing upon this earth throughout their experiences. We also find them praising God in song in heaven.

One of the first great songs of the Bible is found in Exodus, 15th chapter. "Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord," and as we study the song we find it to be a song of redemption, a song of deliverance. Many of the great hymns of the church are songs of redemption. "What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

In the 12th chapter of Nehemiah, we find two good companies of God's people going upon each side of the wall and singing and shouting praises unto God. It is altogether probable that they sang antiphonally.

In the fifth chapter of Ephesians, we are commanded to "speak to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your

heart to the Lord: giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

They sing in heavenly places also, for in the 14th chapter of Revelation we see a picture of the followers of the Lamb of God, those redeemed from among men, the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb with harps and they sing a new song before the throne. In Revelations, chapter 15, we have a continuation of the same thing. "And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name: for thou only are holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest." (Revelation 15: 2-4) What singing this will be! These references do not exhaust the scriptures in this matter at all, but they point the way to the emphasis regarding music and singing in the word of God. Another great chapter is the 150th Psalm.

From experience may we give you the following incident in the life of a great and growing church. We went into a new field, and we found a group of sincere but largely untrained people very much interested in the singing and music life of a church. We were talking about discarding the song books. The book being used was a very good hymn book. Instead of discarding the book or going off at some other tangent, we got the services of an outstanding singer for three nights one week, an hour each evening. He gave his best in song and music leadership. At the end of that week that church was singing by actual count four of every five songs in that book and singing at least two or three out of every five songs very well indeed. They could sing "Onward Christian Soldiers" as we have never heard another congregation sing that song. Another favorite song of theirs was, "God Will Take Care Of You." We believe the same sort of leadership and instruction would literally transform the music life of the average church. That need is certainly being met in the leadership of our newly established Music department. We are going to do a great deal of singing in Heaven. Let us get ready for it while on this earth by at least learning the a, b, c's of good music. For lack of leadership and understanding, did you ever see a congregation sing two verses of a song and then have a split choir effect as half would sing the third verse and half the fourth verse? Did you ever see a song leader, a pianist, and congregation that did not understand one another; and in consequence there was a lack of harmony and joyful singing?

That we might not deal too much in glittering generalities we asked Music Director, Luther A. Harrison, to give us a summary of his work and his procedure in music leadership.

We are happy to present his reply as follows:

"Dr. D. A. McCall
Baptist Building
Dear Bro. McCall:
During the last year my work in the Music Department has been along four lines:
1. Organization — Association and District
2. Teaching — Schools, Clinics, Institutes, and Conferences
3. Promotional Work — Through Baptist Record and newspapers of the state.
My year's work as follows:
20 Schools of Music
8 Revivals
32 Choirs organized
75 Training Union Ensembles organized

We are trying to build solidly in the work of Christ in this department as in every other department. A great construction project in the building of a great bridge was nearing completion when the contractor died. His daughter had worked with him in the office, and she had studied that type of engineering. When the committee met to let a contract for the completion of the project, among the bids, there was the bid of the daughter. She said she knew her father's desires and plans in minutest details. The committee allowed her to finish her father's work. When the last bucket of concrete had been poured and had set, the committee was ready to receive the finished product. Loaded trucks were driven upon the bridge; and with delicate instruments at the foot of the piling, there were individuals testing to see whether the bridge would hold or not. Someone cried to those below, "Does it hold?" There came the reply, "It holds! It holds!" We believe the work being done in the Music Department will hold through time and eternity. Doxology!

IV

Two pictures of baptizings recently run in the Baptist Record setting forth phases of State Mission work were from the ministry of Brother Ray Megginson, one of our several splendid Associational Missionaries.

Some of our pastors will want to use Rev. B. H. Benton, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, in Stewardship revivals this winter. He is doing splendid work in

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We Believe In This

Recently we noted where Dr. McCall declared, after his tour of South American mission fields, that if each missionary were supplied with an automobile, it would be almost equal to doubling the efficiency of that work. We believe this is true.

There is another thing we would like to suggest, also. Every pastor needs to have a car furnished to him in his work. Many churches are now providing expense funds for their pastors to use.

Business firms are providing cars for their employees. The traveling salesman has his car furnished in most instances by the firm for which he works. His expenses are provided as he does their work.

We believe if churches more and more would include in their budgets a good fund for expenses for their pastors it would be a blessing to the preacher and a help for the church. As cars become available, many could buy the pastor a new one.

As budgets are made up this fall, what do you think of this as a good item to include?

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No House Shortage There

Every age has had its problems and this present age is confronted with one that the world has probably never faced before and that is the house shortage.

Materials for buildings purposes are scarce and difficult to get and one has to do some real work to get a building project completed because of unavailable or scarce materials.

As we think of this particular problem, we have a comforting thought along with it and that is the Carpenter of Nazareth and the world's greatest architect is preparing a house for you and me. In John 14:2 we find these words: In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. In second Corinthians 5:1, we find that Paul said: For we know if our earthly

house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, and a house not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

Another encouraging thought about this house that is being built for us is that it is being made of materials that are not inferior. In Revelations 21:18, 19 we are told that the building of the wall was of Jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass, and the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones.

In Revelation 22:14 we find who will be given a permit to dwell in the house that is being made: Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates to the city.

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Why Some Articles Are Not Published

Every few days we receive a scorching letter from some person who has sent in an article that reaches us Tuesday morning or Wednesday morning with a notation saying, "Please publish in this week's Record." The writer complains because the article does not appear as per their very definite instructions. However, hot or scorching letters cannot get an article in The Baptist Record after it has already been printed.

Whenever possible, articles for The Baptist Record should reach us Friday or Saturday. We do reserve some space for late news notes which cannot be written up before Monday, but this space is limited, and therefore, articles reaching us on Monday and Tuesday, of any length, must wait until the next week. Sometimes an article reaching us on Tuesday morning is of such immediate value that we can leave out an article already set up in type, but this is the exception and not the rule. Practically every week material reaches us for publication, but too late for that week's issue. Often this material is out of date if used in the next issue, hence it does not get published. We are always glad to receive news articles of value to our readers, but we want it while it is news, and in time for publication the week received. One of the coldest things in the world is last week's news in next week's paper.

Some articles that come to us are of a nature that they will be interesting weeks later as well as now. That will explain why some articles are not published immediately upon receipt. Please help us serve our readers by sending in all the news that is suitable, and in time for the current issue.

Readers Can Help

As our readers well know we have always opposed the sending of Mr. Myron Taylor to the Vatican under any title. We think it is a way of beating the devil around the stump. We have tried to keep our readers informed.

We are well aware of the fact that one protest counts for little, if anything. Every Baptist should make his position known. In members there is strength.

Every Baptist gathering should pass resolutions and send them to the President and to Representatives and Senators of the Congress. Interested Baptist laymen should write to the President and in every possible way let it be known that they are opposed to this dangerous trend of the abridgment of our religious liberty.

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Potter Urges Widow's Plans

Below the Editor shares with the readers excerpts from a letter from Dr. William Potter of Carthage urging the participation of all ministers in the retirement plans sponsored by the Baptists:

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

Because I am thoroughly in accord with the action of our Executive Committee of the State Board in entering the Widow's Annuity Plan of the Minister's Retirement Plan, I wish to add my personal recommendation and urge the brethren to participate. I believe in both of these plans. Every Baptist pastor with forethought should take advantage of our retirement plan. The cost is little, the advantage great. Any pastor who is concerned as to his wife's welfare, should he precede her in death, cannot escape the responsibility of becoming a participant in the Widow's Annuity Plan.

There is a far greater obligation in this matter than just the actual economic values to the participants in both plans. There is a Christian commission of service to those who served faithfully before this plan became operative and who, today, are dependent upon gifts of the Relief and Annuity Board for subsistence. We Mississippi pastors are among a favored group of God's servants in that statistics indicate our state as paying the highest average yearly salary of any state in the Southern Baptist Convention. There is no pastor in this state who CAN NOT AFFORD to participate in either plan if for no other reason than to "bear ye one another's burdens."

God, through His Word, has promised the "supply of all your need" but I believe He expects His servants to have enough common sense to take advantage of opportunities offered them.

I trust that this personal recommendation of the plans will bear fruit, and that our necessary two thirds will have made their application prior to the State Convention in November, and at that time our Executive Secretary, Dr. McCall, may announce Mississippi's active participation in the Widow's Annuity Plan as of January 1, 1947.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

October 27, 1946

| | S.S. B.T.U. |
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| First Church, Jackson | 1142 360 |
| Calvary, Jackson | 1330 360 |
| Calvary including Mission | |
| Jackson | 1382 402 |
| Northside, Jackson | 269 104 |
| Southside, Jackson | 154 98 |
| Van Winkle, Jackson | 248 141 |
| Daniel, Jackson | 159 82 |
| West Side, Natchez | 115 40 |
| First, Laurel | 546 130 |
| West Laurel | 455 134 |
| New Albany | 579 254 |
| Parkway, Jackson | 524 194 |
| Antioch, Lawrence County | 58 42 |
| First Church, Winona | 270 66 |
| Scotland, Wims | 36 |
| Tocowa, Panola County | 32 26 |
| West Marks, Marks | 38 |
| Cetnerville | 136 35 |
| New Hebron, Yazoo County | 73 76 |
| Crystal Springs | 638 178 |
| Main Street, Hattiesburg | 722 296 |
| Byram | 72 55 |
| Brookhaven | 685 127 |
| Louis | 69 32 |

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| West Side, Natchez | 124 64 |
| Batesville | 202 74 |
| Siloam | 86 93 |
| Newton | 382 |
| County Line, | |
| Copiah County | 93 22 |
| Brooklyn | 107 54 |
| Picayune First | 363 130 |
| Picayune Mission | 7 |
| Acrola | 98 44 |
| Bethel, Pearl River | 59 66 |
| O'Tuckalofa, Yalobusha County | 39 |
| Wallerville, Union County | 100 64 |
| Harrisburg | 225 89 |
| Houkka, Chickasaw County | 83 37 |
| Rocky Creek, George County | 100 82 |
| Wellon, Lincoln County | 57 51 |
| Philadelphia, Lincoln County | 65 40 |
| Tate Street, Corinth | 205 94 |
| Lucedale | 245 73 |
| Enon, Panola County | 78 77 |
| Center, Union County | 106 71 |
| Pascagoula, First | 560 128 |
| East Side, Jackson | 90 |
| Providence, Forest County | 148 109 |
| Oloh, Marion County | 103 82 |
| Summit First | 168 132 |
| Chalybeate | 56 46 |
| Cross Roads, Webster County | 65 |
| Louisville | 409 134 |

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| Rocky Creek, George County | 134 90 |
| Bear Creek, Attala County | 76 47 |
| Pascagoula, Unity | 63 63 |
| Pascagoula, Eastside | 76 47 |
| Oak Grove, Calhoun County | 49 |
| Providence, Tippah County | 46 |
| Winona First | 266 51 |
| Scotland | 57 |
| Centerville | 111 35 |

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. Clyde P. Jones, Clinton; Rev. John B. Laney, Booneville; George H. Mosley, Ruston, La.; Dr. William Potter, Carthage; Dr. G. A. Cooper, Albany, Ga.; Norma Ann Cooper, Albany, Ga.; Rev. Paul L. Bard, Ethel, Miss.; Rev. D. Wade Smith, Poplarville; Rev. T. B. Hawkins, Rasario, Argentina; Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Carlisle and Jo Ann, Uruguay; Rev. M. M. Brown, Jackson.

At the recent meeting of the Tate County Association Dr. H. L. Martin was nominated for membership on the State Convention Board. Other officers elected were: Executive Committee, Dr. H. L. Martin, Rev. F. V. McFadridge, Rev. C. D. Jones, Stanley Presley, W. P. Veazey, Sr., T. L. Harris, and B. B. Miller; Associational Sunday School Superintendent, J. A. Bullard; Training Union Director, Rev. F. V. McFadridge; Associational Music Director, B. B. Miller.

Pastor J. C. Graham of Golden not only believes in the Baptist Record, but does something about it. He recently sent a nice list from Antioch Itawamba County.

Thursday, October 31, 1946

THE BAPTIST RECORD

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DOROTHY PAGE

Chapter V.

Handling The Three Thousand

That evening Sterling opened the discussion: "Miss Dorothy, I have listened in these discussions to what are evidently stock passages of the immersionists. But let us go deeper into the matter."

"But why do you call them stock passages of the immersionists?" asked Dorothy in surprise. "I did not get them from any immersionists. I told you I thought I saw passages in the Bible teaching immersion and you said no. I was asked to show these passages and I have been showing them."

"Very well, we will not dispute on that point, my fair debater, but I will try now to show you that it was impossible that immersion could have been intended in these Bible passages. I think I can show you that certain baptisms could not have been immersions."

"Good for you," said the father. "Now the contest is getting spicy. Show that immersion was impossible and you have won the day."

"Father, you speak as if Mr. Sterling and I were engaged in a battle. My only desire is to learn what the Bible teaches about baptism, and I shall certainly follow its command as nearly as I can, cost what it may. Why do you say immersion was impossible, Mr. Sterling?"

"Because in the account of the baptisms on the day of Pentecost we are told that three thousand persons were baptized and that of course could not have been done by immersion in one day."

"Were they all baptized in one place?" asked Dorothy.

"Yes all were baptized at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost after a great sermon by the Apostle Peter."

"How many persons did the baptizing?" asked Dorothy if she was trying to picture the scene.

"That is not stated."

"Let us have the passage, Sterling. My curiosity is excited," said Mr. Page.

Sterling read from Acts 2:41: "Then they that gladly received his Word were baptized and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."

Dorothy read the verse over carefully and then remarked: "Why, that doesn't say they were all baptized on the same day. Notice it says there were added to them on the same day about three thousand. Why may not some of the number have been baptized before that and during Christ's life?"

"That is a fact," said the father, looking over the passage. "The verse does not say that they were all baptized that day; but do you suppose, Sterling, that it would have taken a great deal longer to immerse them than it would to have sprinkled them? Not if the sprinkling ceremony that I saw was a sample of the way the three thousand were baptized. Do you not have a ceremony connected with sprinkling just as they have one connected with immersion?"

"Oh, yes, there is always a little ceremony connected with the sprinkling."

"Who did the baptizing that day?" asked Dorothy.

"Good for you, daughter," said the father. "That is a stunner. One man would have had quite a job on his hands whether he sprinkled or dipped that host of folks. But with several baptizers it was a different proposition."

"Oh, father, why do you speak so jokingly about these Bible matters?"

"You are right, Dorothy. Forgive me. I always make a muss of it when I tackle religion. I'd better call in my tongue before I get into trouble."

"I repeat my question," said Dorothy:

"Who did the baptizing on that day?"

"I guess that Peter, one of the apostles did it."

"Oh, yes" said Dorothy, "there were twelve apostles, were there not? And if they all took part in the baptizing that would have made it much easier. And I notice back here in the fifteenth verse of the preceding chapter it says there were one hundred and twenty disciples there when Peter preached his sermon and that three thousand were converted."

"Hello," said the father with a smile, "you keep on and you will get more than enough people to baptize two or three times three thousand persons."

"You don't imagine," said Sterling with a smile, "that the one hundred and twenty disciples all took a hand in putting the three thousand under water? That would have been a spectacle indeed."

"I think it would have been a spectacle no matter how it was done," said Dorothy.

"Another thing," said Sterling: "Supposing that they had enough administrators for the ordinance that day, where could they have performed the baptisms? Do you think they all marched off to the river of Jordan? Of course not. But they did not need to go off anywhere in order to be sprinkled. Besides, what about a change of clothing for the three thousand persons if they were all put under water? Remember most of them—according to the account—were strangers from different countries visiting Jerusalem."

"I hope," said Dorothy, "that they had not come from their different countries without some change of clothing."

"Isn't it true," asked the brother, "that over in those Eastern lands, with their loose garments and their sunny climate, they could have arranged for a dipping if they had so desired it? But that other point mentioned by Mr. Sterling has not been answered."

"What is that?" asked Dorothy.

"He asked where in Jerusalem could so many have been baptized?"

"Does it say they were baptized in Jerusalem?" asked Dorothy.

"No, it does not say so, but do you think they went off to a river?" asked Sterling.

"The passage does not state. But are you sure there were not places in Jerusalem where they could have been immersed?" asked Dorothy.

"Wait," said the brother, "let me get an encyclopedia." He went to the shelf and was soon examining the article on Jerusalem. "Here is a long article on Jerusalem," he said, running his eye down the pages. "Hello, here is something about water facilities. Here is a reference from Strabo in these words: 'Jerusalem a rocky, well-enclosed fortress; within, well watered; without, wholly dry.' "

"Now you are making discoveries, son," said Mr. Page. "Give us some more about the water."

"Here is another statement. Dr. Robinson states there were six immense public pools in the city, the largest being five hundred and ninety-two feet long and two hundred and seventy-five feet broad."

"That is enough, son," exclaimed the father. "Sterling, history seems on the side of the immersionists there. I think that five hundred and ninety-two foot pool could have taken care of the whole three thousand."

"I think the important question," said the brother, "is the meaning of the Greek word originally used for baptism. In other words, does the word baptize mean to sprinkle or to immerse? When the people in Christ's day used the word what did they mean by it—sprinkle or immerse?"

"That hits the target exactly," said the father. "What does the word baptize mean? Let's see, I think you said

that the Bible was written in Greek."

"The New Testament was," said Sterling.

"The question is, then, what word did the people use in Christ's day in talking about a baptism? When Christ told the people to be baptized, what word did he use and what did that word mean? Did the Greek word which he used for baptism mean for the people in that day 'immerse' or 'sprinkle'? When they heard the word from him, did they think of immersion or of sprinkling?"

"Baptizo", or baptize is the word which he used" said Sterling.

"But baptize is our English word that we use. What was the Greek word which Christ used and which meant baptism?" asked Roland.

"That is the point," said Sterling.

"Baptizo" is the Greek word, and the people who translated our English from the Greek Bible did not translate the Greek word 'baptizo' into any English word, but simply put the Greek word 'baptizo' or baptize into our language as it was without translating it. You see, if they had translated it 'immerse', that would have made the Presbyterians mad, and if they had translated it 'sprinkle' that would have made others mad, and so they did not translate it at all, but simply put the Greek word 'baptizo' in the English Bible, leaving each person to translate it as he thought proper."

"But why did they not translate it?" said Dorothy, is if vexed by their neglect. "It must mean something, and if they translated the other words, why did they not translate this word right no matter who might have liked it?"

"They ought to have done so," said Sterling, "and they ought to have put the English word 'sprinkle' instead of the Greek word 'baptizo'."

"Oh, I see," said the father. "I guess the Presbyterians, when they came to translate the word into English, would put it 'sprinkle', and those who believed in dipping would translate it 'dippin'."

"That's it exactly," said Sterling. "The translators, in order not to offend the different denominations, agreed not to translate the word at all, but simply to put the Greek word 'baptizo' in the English Bible and let each one translate it for himself as he thought proper."

"Can't we find out what that Greek word 'baptizo' means?" asked Dorothy.

"Certainly, here is the Greek scholar," said Mr. Page turning to his son. "Tell us, Roland, what did the Greeks understand by that word 'baptizo' when they used it?"

"I must get my Greek lexicon for that." And upstairs he hurried and soon returned with Liddell and Scott's Greek and English Lexicon. He turned to the word "baptizo" and read its meaning as follows: "To dip repeatedly, to dip under."

"What is that?" exclaimed the father, almost bouncing out of his chair, "to dip under?"

"Here is on page 130."

"It seems to me," said the father, "that would settle it. If the Greek word that Christ used meant to dip under, what right has anyone to say that baptism is to be done by sprinkling?"

"What do you do with a passage like this in Cor. 10:2?" said Mr. Sterling—

"'we were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea.' They were all baptized, but do you see any immersion in that? It refers, you know, to the time when the Israelites passed through the sea dry shod with a cloud over them. They were baptized, but they were surely not immersed, for they would have been drowned."

"I did not know of such an event," said Dorothy. "What do you mean by

saying that they went through the sea dry shod?"

"God banked up the waters on both sides and let them walk through untouched by the water."

"Did you say the waters were banked on both sides of them and that a cloud covered them?"

"Yes."

"Isn't that a picture of immersion? The ground was under them, the water on both sides and the cloud covered them. It was much more like an immersion than a sprinkling."

"Hold on," said Sterling. "The cloud was not over them, but back of them. The cloud was always either before or behind them, but never over them; consequently they were not covered up and water did not even touch them—unless perhaps they were sprinkled by the spray from the wall of waters."

"Let me see the passage," said Dorothy. She turned to Exodus 14:21. "But look!" she exclaimed, "it reads, 'and the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea'."

"You don't think, Miss Dorothy, that they actually plunged into the middle of the sea?" asked Sterling with a smile.

"Of course not, Mr. Sterling; and yet their position in that sea gave the idea to the writer of their being in the midst of the sea. To his mind it looked as if they were covered or buried in the sea, and that is immersion. The Old Testament writer calls it a baptism and the Old Historian speaks of them as being in the midst of the sea. Which does that look more like—sprinkling or immersion?"

Sterling was getting excited. It seemed to him that Dorothy was moving further and further away from him, and he imagined he saw a chasm opening between her views and his own. But he braced himself for the struggle. To him the mode of baptism was by no means a life and death matter, but Dorothy seemed to recoil from the practice of sprinkling. Sterling cheered himself with the thought that he had certain passages to show her that would turn the tide. He said this with a confident ring in his voice:

"Miss Dorothy, I have an arrow here from the Bible quiver which I think will give the death blow to the immersion theory and prove beyond the glimmer of a doubt that pouring is the scriptural mode of baptism."

"I thought you believed in sprinkling; why do you say 'pouring'?"

"We make no distinction between sprinkling and pouring. They are practically the same thing. I want now to show you a statement from Christ himself indicating that he believed that pouring was the mode of baptism."

"Do let us have it," said Dorothy.

"In the first chapter of Acts Christ said to the apostles: 'Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.' The day of Pentecost, which came not many days hence, was the day which he was talking about. He tells them they would be baptized on that day with the Holy Ghost, and I can show you that this baptism was done by pouring."

"Hold a bit," said the father. "Let me see if I get that point. You say Christ promised that the apostles would be baptized on a certain day with the Holy Ghost, and that when this promised baptism came to pass it came not by immersion, but by pouring. Is that your claim?"

"You have it exactly correct."

"All right, and now for your proof."

"Ten days after Christ ascended to Heaven this baptism of the Spirit came. The disciples were in an upper room and were waiting for this baptism of the Spirit that had been promised when suddenly the Holy Spirit came. But how did it come and in what way were

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Slayden Baptist Church Dedicated



Dedication And History Of Slayden Baptist Church

BY BOYD WATKINS

A large congregation attended the services on September 29, when the Slayden church dedicated its new house of worship, free of debt. Dr. W. C. Tyler of Blue Mountain brought the message, "Before Winter or Never." Pastor R. O. Bankston led the prayer, and the responsive dedication service. Mrs. C. A. Sanders led in a prayer after the Doxology had been sung. The following article gives the main facts regarding this church:

The Alexandra Baptist Church, now Slayden, was organized in 1870. This historic church had its beginning in a log cabin school house which located in the north west corner of the south west quarter of section 32, township 1, range 2 west, in Marshall County Mississippi. It was located on the road between Slayden and Moscow, Tenn., and Rev. Bateman was the first pastor and moderator. There were nine charter members of the Church, as follows: John Hurdle and wife, Mrs. Margaret Watkins Hurdle, Everett Slayden and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Slocum, Miss Mattie McCandless, Miss Nannie McCandless, and Rev. Bateman.

Seventeen pastors have served the Alexandra-Slayden Church since its organization. The names of each in order and the approximate years of service follows: Rev. Bateman, 20 years; Rev. Shepherd, 1; Rev. George Floyd, 3; Rev. J. W. Alford, 4; Rev. H. B. Russum, 18; Rev. Will Fore, 3; Rev. H. L. Knight, 2; Rev. Earl Brooks, 2; Rev. W. B. May, 6; Rev. S. C. Wales, 1; Rev. J. L. Courson, 6; Rev. A. B. Jones, 2; Rev. W. R. Medling, 3; Rev. Clarence Palmer, 2; and Rev. R. O. Bankston, 1.

The first building, frame, clapboard in style, was erected about 1875. It lasted until 1912. There were very few churches in this part of the country in the early days. Therefore our members and attendance reached from the Tennessee line in the north to Big Coldwater in the south, and from Casey in the west to the Benton county line in the east. This territory was approximately twelve miles square.

OFFERINGS AND MISSIONS

In the beginning the church was active only in home, or district missions, which consisted in looking after the needy and unfortunate. This church has carried on its mission work through the State Board since it was organized in 1873. We have supported the Orphanage since it was established in 1912, with our money, food, and prayers. We believe the Cooperative Program is the sanest and best way to collect and distribute our funds. Not only do we contribute through the Cooperative Program, but give to

special causes. It has always been our delight, joy, and privilege to help send the Gospel to the whole world, remembering the command of our Lord, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Mt. 28:19, 20).

We have been affiliated with the following associations: Big Hatchie, Tippah, Coldwater, and Marshall County.

NEW BUILDING ERECTED

In 1912 the church decided to move up to the village of Slayden. Rev. H. B. Russum, having served long and faithfully, resigned as pastor of the church and retired from the ministry. He gave his lot to the church and on this a nice pastorage was erected. This today is the home of the pastor. The decision to move the church to the village called for the erection of a new church. Services and worship were held in this church until 1940. In 1941 the name of the church was changed to The First Baptist Church of Slayden. In 1940 the survey for Highway 72 went right through the church. This made it necessary to move the church, but the Lord works in mysterious ways. It was time to "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." (Isaiah 54:2).

What Happens Today, History Tomorrow

Today we have a most beautiful brick veneer church edifice that would cost not less than \$20,000 in today's contracts. The auditorium is large and the educational department is adequate, providing also a dining room and kitchen. Butane gas is used for heating. Electric lights, and running water are to be installed. An electric organ or organtron has been purchased. A nice collection of good books is in the library. Every family in the church receives the Baptist Record. The church is half-time and pays the pastor \$1,000 a year and 64 per cent of our offerings goes for home purposes, and 36 per cent for missions.

Church Directory

Pastor, Rev. R. O. Bankston; Church Clerk, Mrs. Zallie B. Puryer; Assistant Pastor, Mrs. R. O. Bankston; Treasurer, Boyd Watkins; Deacons: Boyd Watkins, J. B. Henderson, Roger Puryer, G. C. Valentine, Marvin Jarvis, Simpson Hurdle, and D. O. Hurdle, Sr.; S. S. Superintendent, Roger Puryer; Secretary of S. S., Mrs. Pearl Mackey; W. M. U. President, Mrs. R. O. Bankston; B. T. U. Director, Mrs. Louise Skelton, and Jim Janes.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

SERVICE CENTER OPENED IN NEW ORLEANS

A warehouse is being opened in New Orleans to which Southern Baptists can send clothes, etc., for shipment to needy Baptists in war-torn lands. The center does not have space for processing nor do they have the personnel for such work. They want clothing and shoes that are CLEAN, mended and immediately usable. Small parcels should be sent by parcel post and larger ones by express or truck freight. Send all such to the following address:

Southern Baptist World Service Center,
c/o Rev. Clovis A. Brantley,
740 Esplanade Ave.,
New Orleans 16, La.

MISSISSIPPI WOMEN AT NEW ORLEANS SEMINARY

Booth, Mamie—Mathiston—Jan. 17.
Booth, Ruby—Prentiss—Oct. 27.
Ellington, Estelle—R. F. D., Salis—
Feb. 4.

Enslin, Margaret—609 Tuscan Ave.,
Hattiesburg—Dec. 27.
Irby, Mary Lois—Stateline—March
31.

McGee, LaVerne — Transylvania—
Oct. 27.

Ratcliff, Jean—Rt. 2, Hattiesburg—
Oct. 15.

Smith, Nora Vee—Rt. 1, Jackson—
Sept. 30.

Williamson, Sarah—Oakvale—Dec. 8.

Miss Helen Falls, the Dean of Women says:

"Our Women's Dormitory has recently been redecorated and the unusually fine group of girls seem to be quite happy in it. Our enrollment has already exceeded our enrollment last year, and we are anticipating the best year in our history."

W. M. U. TRAINING SCHOOL IN LOUISVILLE, KY.

Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn, principal of the Training School, gives this report of its opening:

The fortieth session of the Training School opened on September 10 with a brief service in the Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial Chapel. Miss Beatrice Glass, an alumna of the school who is at home on furlough after her first term of service in Argentina, led in the opening prayer. Mrs. George E. Roden of Florida, a member of the Board of Trustees, led in the closing prayer. Misses Claudia Edwards (music teacher), Miriam Robinson (teacher of speech), Georgie Fancher (librarian), and Mary Mitchell (dietitian) were introduced and responded briefly. To this group were welcomed the following new workers: Misses Virginia Wingo, Velma Darbo and Eva Dawson.

Miss Wingo comes to us as the teacher of missionary education. For this service she is eminently fitted by education and experience. She received her A. B. and M. A. degrees from Louisiana College and Louisiana State University respectively. Before entering the Training School as a student, she taught three years in high school. Immediately after her student days in Louisville, she became W. M. U. young

W. Hurdle; Librarian, Mrs. Vivian P. Mackey; Pianists, Mrs. Sallie Rhea H. Brewer, and Mrs. Vivian Mackey; Choir directors, Len Hurdle, Louise M. Skelton, and Jim Janes.

people's secretary in Louisiana, in which position she served efficiently for eight years. Surely God has been preparing this capable and attractive young woman for this place of strategic service.

"Miss Velma Darbo of Louisville joined our staff on August first by way of the office. She is a graduate of Milligan College and also of the Training School. Her work-experience includes a year as clerk in the accounting department of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, two years as church secretary and one year as educational director in Louisville churches. We are grateful that this consecrated and well trained young woman can find a channel for service in this important department of our work.

"Louisville again has made a contribution to our School in the person of Miss Eva Dawson, who began her work with us as house-director on August first. She learned how to be a good housekeeper in her own well-managed Kentucky home. She came to us from the position of assistant matron at Parr's Rest, a beautiful Baptist home in Louisville for elderly women. She is an active member of the Business Woman's Circle in the Highland Baptist Church.

"In addition to the regular official family, four special students were presented who are employed by the School on a part-time basis:

"Miss Josephine Huddleston of Georgia is serving as instructor in social work courses. She has an M. A. degree from the University of Georgia and a year of graduate work in the Tulane School of Social Work. She has had a year of experience in county welfare work and a year as case-worker with the Red Cross. Her purpose to attend the Training School has persisted since her college days. It is a happy coincidence that enables her to combine study and service during this year.

"Miss Genevieve Averett of Mississippi is serving as assistant in the office. She is a graduate of Mississippi Southern College and has been a church secretary for more than two years. Before going into the church field she had experience in teaching and business positions.

"Miss Hazel Moon, R. N., of Virginia, and Miss Hazel Wood, R. N., of North Carolina, are the school nurses. Both of these fine young women are interested in foreign missions.

"The total enrollment to date is 134 boarding and 76 day students."

It was the pleasure of your Young People's Secretary to attend this splendid opening of our Training School. It was an inspiration to be among such friends and followers of the Master. Put these workers on your Calendar of Prayer, and remember them often—especially the fine young women who represent Mississippi at that School:

Misses Nella Dean Mitchell, Louisville; Olive Powell, McComb; Maxie King, Canton; Edna Earle Poynor, Hattiesburg; Grace Beckett, Pittsboro; Grace Lovelace, Jackson; Arlena Smith, Blue Mountain; Cannie Marie Crane, Pascagoula; and Verna Lee Oden (student at the Music School).

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Pastor H. Grady Wilkes and family at Duncan are enjoying the recently installed butane gas heating plant in the Baptist parsonage.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary . . . Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson



**Mrs. J. C. Greenoe, Vicksburg, Miss.
State Approved Training
Union Worker**

Mrs. J. C. Greenoe of Vicksburg, one of our State Approved Training Union Workers, has given to the Training Union Department this year twenty (20) weeks of her valuable time. These weeks have been spent in our Leadership schools and Training Union Revivals. Her husband, the late Dr. J. C. Greenoe, was the beloved pastor of First Church Vicksburg for a number of years. During his lifetime he lost no opportunity to promote training union work. He was one of our great Training Union pastors. Mrs. Greenoe's love for the work has manifested itself through the years. Perhaps her greatest contribution to training union work was the introducing into Mississippi the Story Hour work. In 1918 she began the first "Primary B. Y. P. U." in the state, this was in the First Baptist Church of Vicksburg. From this beginning we now have several hundred churches that have the story hour. Mrs. Greenoe has worked in every department of the Training Union, loves it all and is efficient in it all. Her friends are counted by her acquaintances, much beloved by them all. We thank God for her life and work.

Thanks to Mrs. Albert Barnett for a good report of the Pilgrims Rest church, Panola Co. The general officers who will guide them through the new year are: Director W. L. Tyler; Associate Director, E. L. Mills; General Secretary, Mrs. Albert Barnett. Mrs. Barnett didn't say so, but as chairman of the "Efficiency Committee" of the Training Union, we have the idea the union will adopt the Standard as their working guide and we hope will be one of our Standard Unions before the year is out.

Thinking of the Standard: The surest way of reaching the standard is in first, adopting it as a working guide. Second, setting a time limit on reaching it, that is, say "We shall do our best to reach the standard by January first, or April first. Third, check your records WEEKLY and organize to meet week by week each point. It will be a joy then at the close of the quarter to make out the report and send it in to the State Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson.

Congratulations to East Moss Point Church on the election of Mrs. Montie

Davis as Training Union Director. Under her leadership the union should make good progress. They have recently re-studied the Manuals which is a good way to start off each year's work in the Training Union.

Miss Era Duncan, who has for five or six years been one of our faithful and efficient workers during the summer, and who has served this year as Associational Director for the Walthall Co. Association Training Union, writes that they have had a "Wonderful" year in their Training Union work in Walthall. The last meeting witnessed an attendance of about 200. She has appreciated the cooperation of the pastor and other leaders.

In number of awards issued for September Hinds-Warren led with 213, Zion second with 205, Oktibeeha third with 178, Tallehatchie with 170, Lebannon fourth with 141, Pearl River fifth with 103.

BULLETINS REQUESTED

Does your Training Union, or any department of your training union get out a bulletin? We are going to have this discussed at our State Training Union Convention Dec. 27th, when we meet for a full one days meeting at First Church Jackson. Mr. John Jenkins, 319 N. President St. Jackson, editor of "Scribbings" a bulletin issued monthly by the Young People's Department of the First Jackson Training Union is going to present this for us and he would like to have a copy of any bulletin you may have gotten out. Cooperate with us in this and send John what you have.

Already we are getting all excited over the prospects for a great meeting of the Association Officers December 2 at First Church Jackson. This meeting will be for every associational Training Union officers. All pastors and officers of the regular Baptist association, moderator, clerk, etc., will find the meeting helpful to them also, and they will make their contribution to it with their presence and counsel. The meeting begins at 10 a. m. and closes at 4:30 p. m. Maines Rawls, Veril Crenshaw, and Miss Frances Whitworth of the Nashville office will be with us. Other visitors are welcome!

"Scribbings," The Monthly Bulletin of the Young People's Department of the Training Union of First Baptist Church, Jackson, has a department conducted by Julia Reese known as "MEET YOUR CHURCH STAFF." Julia is making a very helpful column out of this as she presents to the constituency each month one member of the church staff and gives interesting things about this individual, his "bringing up" his likes and dislikes, his ambitions, his hobbies, his work and successes in it. The October issue presents Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Director of Missionary Education. In September the "Scribbings" paid tribute to the Janitor and Janitresses. The commendation was well deserved by all three, Pearlie Clark, Luelia Jones, and Charlie Brinson. Congratulations, Julia, this is a fine contribution you are making.

PROGRAM MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION First Baptist Church, Jackson November 12-14, 1946

Tuesday Afternoon

- 1:30—Call to Order and Enrollment.
- 1:35—Song and Praise: Luther A. Harrison, Mrs. W. L. Compere.
- Scripture and Prayer: P. L. Lipssey.
- 1:50—Announcements and Naming of Committee on Committees.
- 1:55—President's Message—Norman W. Cox.
- 2:15—Distribution of Reports.
- Presenting and Referring of Resolutions.
- Recognition of New Pastors and Visitors.
- Announcement by Book Store Manager.
- 2:45—American Bible Society, T. T. Holloway, Dallas, Texas.
- 2:55—Baptist Foundation—J. A. Travis.
- 3:10—Baptist Record—A. L. Goodrich.
- 3:35—Radio Committee—Claud Bowen.
- 4:00—Partial Report of Committee on Committees.
- 4:10—Special Music.
- 4:15—Convention Sermon — J. Reese Rogers, Collins.
- Alternate—T. D. Brown, Macon.
- Adjourn.

Tuesday Evening

- 7:00—Song and Praise—Luther A. Harrison, E. F. Graeser, and Crystal Springs Octet.
- Prayer—W. Douglas Hudgins.
- 7:15—Report of Committee on Committees.
- 7:30—Special Music—Blue Mountain College Chorus.
- 7:40—State Missions—D. A. McCall.
- 8:30—Special Music—Baptist Hospital Nurses Chorus.
- 8:35—Home Missions—W. A. Hewitt.
- Address—L. W. Martin, Atlanta, Georgia.

Wednesday Morning

- 8:30—Song and Praise—W. C. Morgan, Mrs. W. C. Morgan.
- Scripture and Prayer—L. G. Gates.

- 8:45—Reading of Minutes.
- 8:50—Miscellaneous Business.
- 9:00—Election of Officers.
- 9:15—SOCIAL SERVICE.

- 9:15—Report of Committee to Review Social Service Report.

- 9:25—Baptist Orphanage—W. G. Mize.

- 9:40—Baptist Hospital—Mrs. K. Gilroy.

- 9:55—Relief and Annuity Board—Walter R. Alexander, Dallas, Texas.

- 10:20—CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN MISSISSIPPI—

- 10:20—Report of Committee to Review Christian Education Reports.

- 10:30—Ten Minute Report from Each School (Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College, Clarke College, and Mississippi Woman's College.)

- 11:10—Special Items Concerning Christian Education.

- 11:50—Report of Special Committee on Christian Education — L. Bracey Campbell.

- 12:15—Adjourn.

Wednesday Afternoon

- 1:30—Song and Praise—O. L. Chambers, Mrs. J. H. Street.
- Prayer—G. W. Smith.

- 1:40—Report of Committee to Review Convention Board Report.

- 2:00—Cooperative Program. Address: Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tennessee.

3:00—DEPARTMENTS—

- 3:00—Sunday School—E. C. Williams.

- 3:15—Baptist Training Union—Auber J. Wilds.

- 3:30—Baptist Student Union — Charles Horner.

- Address: Frank Leavell, Nashville, Tennessee.

- 3:45—Woman's Missionary Union—Miss Edwina Robinson, Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge.

- 4:00—Baptist Brotherhood — James H. Street.

NOV. 2 HOMECOMING DAY, AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Business Meeting, Luncheon, Football Game on Schedule

CLINTON, Miss., Oct. 25—After the lapse of a few years during the war period, Mississippi College is to resume the annual homecoming on November 2nd, according to Coach Stanley Robinson, whose Choctaw team will play Stetson University at 8 o'clock that night on Provine Field.

All Mississippi College graduates are cordially invited to be present for a business meeting and luncheon at 5:30 at which time the new charter is to be accepted, officers elected, and a permanent organization effected.

There will be a band concert and other entertainment at 4 o'clock, after which a student committee is to conduct groups of visitors through the new buildings and over the campus. Other things that will interest the old students will be the trailer camp and the F. P. H. A. apartments which are nearing completion.

Meeting and greeting old friends and meeting new ones will be an enjoyable feature of the afternoon.

At 5:30 Mr. C. L. Hester, temporary chairman of the Alumni Association, will call to order those eligible to be members of the association for the permanent organization. This meeting will be held in the college dining hall where the luncheon will be served.

At 8 o'clock the Mississippi College Choctaws, who have had an unusually successful season so far, will meet the strong football team from Stetson University of Deland, Florida.

It is hoped that many of the old Mississippi College students will be present for the alumni meeting and remain for the game.

- 4:15—Department of Music—Luther A. Harrison.
- 4:30—Theological Education — J. M. Price, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- 5:00—Adjourn.

Wednesday Evening

- 7:00—Song and Praise—E. N. Elsey.
- Mrs. E. N. Elsey.
- Prayer—Howard Aultman.

- 7:15—Report of Committee on Committees.

- 7:20—Foreign Missions—J. D. Franks.
- Message—J. W. Marshall, Richmond, Virginia.

- 8:20—Special Music—Mississippi College Chorus.

- 8:30—Message, "Menace of Mediocrity"—Robert G. Lee, Memphis, Tenn.

Thursday Morning

- 8:30—Song and Praise—W. L. Compere.
- Mrs. W. L. Compere.
- Scripture and Prayer — Theodore Whitfield.

- 8:45—Reading of Minutes.

- 8:55—Miscellaneous Business.

- 9:10—Report of Committee on Resolutions.

- 9:30—Baptist Historical Society—J. L. Boyd.

- 9:40—Ministerial Education — Howard Spell.

- 9:50—Aged Ministers—C. J. Olander.

- 10:00—Temperance Committee — A. A. Kitchings.

- 10:25—Report of Special Committees.

- 10:35—Report of Committee on Nominations.

- 11:00—Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher.

- 11:05—Miscellaneous Business.

- 11:25—Special Music.

- 11:30—Message—B. H. Benton.

- 12:00—Adjourn.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary



MISS MARGARET GROGARD

MISS WILLIE MERLE O'NEILL

Miss Willie Merle O'Neill has joined the forces of The Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, as Superintendent of Cradle Roll Work.

Miss O'Neill graduate from Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Texas. After graduating she served for one year as secretary to the head of the Department of Sunday school Young People's and Adult Work of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Following this she served for three years as church secretary at Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville. She resigned this work to become Elementary Secretary with the Sunday School Department of the Baptist State Board of Tennessee, which position she held prior to coming to The Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Miss O'Neill is well qualified for her new work by native ability, acquired efficiency, vital interest, and valuable experience.

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NEW SCHOOLS CONTINUED

Hardly a week passes but that we get a report of a new Sunday school. And how happy we are to get such reports!

Rev. R. B. Patterson, Bruce, has recently organized a new one at the Gellespie School, in Calhoun association.

Also, a new one has been organized in a new church in Yalobusha county with Mr. Ory Porter as the superintendent.

The Endville Baptist church, Pontotoc association, had a splendid Vacation Bible school the fourth week in August with an enrollment of 72 and an average attendance of 63. The interest was fine.

HAVE THAT TRAINING CLASS
Brother Superintendent, don't forget to have that Sunday school training course for your workers this fall. It will be one of your greatest investments for having a better Sunday school. Training always pays big dividends in increased efficiency and larger service.

Therefore, set a week this fall for a good study course. Leaflets giving all the books will be gladly sent on request.

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From the bulletin of West Laurel Church we learn that there were 59 additions by baptism, 30 by letter, 1 by statement, making a total of 1,420 membership for the church. Of these 1,020 are resident members. There are 200 tithers and total contributions amounted to \$24,180.



DR. E. N. BIGHAM

Dr. Bigham Retires Served 25 Years

A record of 25 years as Sunday School Superintendent, possibly the longest in the history of Pontotoc Baptists, has been made by Dr. E. N. Bigham, esteemed citizen of Pontotoc, who recently resigned from that place of service. For his faithful service, the Pontotoc Church owes a great debt of gratitude and recently voted unanimously to elect Dr. Bigham Sunday School Superintendent emeritus for life.

Dr. Bigham succeeded Sam Pitts as superintendent. Dr. Bigham's father, the late Dr. D. C. M. Bigham, beloved Pontotoc pioneer citizen, served as superintendent prior to Mr. Pitt's term.

The Rev. Ernest L. Davis was pastor of the Pontotoc Church when Dr. Bigham became superintendent.

A life-long resident of Pontotoc, Dr. Bigham is one of the most devout members of the Baptist denomination. Following his graduation from the Atlanta Dental College, Atlanta, Ga., Dr. Bigham began the practice of dentistry here in 1900 and is still active in that practice.

We extend our hearty congratulations to this noble man who has labored so faithfully and well for these many years. He has been a good steward of the Lord Jesus, and a brother beloved by all who know him. The Lord's rich blessings upon him as he still labors for his Master.

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ORDINATION SERVICE HELD AT NEW ZION

Rev. James B. Parker, Secretary, Institutional work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, preached the ordination sermon at New Zion Baptist Church, Braxton, Mississippi, Sunday, October 20th. Rev. Luther Hart, a ministerial student at Mississippi College, was ordained to the full ministry.

In this same service four men were ordained as deacons; A. V. Bridges, D. Gorden, Sidney Maffady and Ernest Drummond.

A special offering was taken for State Missions in the Sunday School. This is a splendid church and Rev. J. H. Lane, pastor, is doing a wonderful work there.

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WANTED: Housemother for Baptist institution, 35-45, good health, some college education and previous experience in girls school desirable. Write B, care The Baptist Record.

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR

November 4—Miss Clarice Killough, Mailing Department of Baptist Record; Rev. H. D. Hawkins, Neshoba County Association Sunday School Superintendent.

November 5—Miss Ernestine Thomas, Assistant Professor of English, Mississippi College.

November 6—Pray for R. A. Focus week, November 10-16; Mrs. Alda Matthews, Mailing Department of Baptist Record.

November 7—Dr. Elnora Winfrey, Professor of Psychology, Blue Mountain College.

November 8—Miss Irmogene Tucker, Lauderdale County Associational Training Union Director.

November 9—Pray for Pastor's Conference and Mississippi Baptist Convention meeting in Jackson November 11-14.

November 10—Dr. Thomas Purser, Sr., Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

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Mississippi Baptist pastors participating in the Ministers' Retirement Plan will do well to ponder the following words from Rev. C. J. Smyly, Blue Mountain, one of our leading pastors, and then act accordingly:

"Dear Dr. McCall:

I am sending under separate cover my application for participation in the Widows' Annuity Plan. The plan does not offer all that I would desire, but it offers enough that it seems only the part of wisdom to get in. Especially is this true if I were to die within the next thirty years, and all of the chances are that I shall. It provides more income for my widow than thousands of dollars of insurance which I am unable to buy."

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25 YEARS AGO

BY REV. R. A. EDDLEMAN.
Clinton, Mississippi.

Pastor J. L. Hughes of Bay Springs and the church has just closed a great meeting in which he was assisted by Dr. W. E. Farr. Thirty-eight were baptized into the fellowship of the church.

Pastor Homer H. Webb writes that the Lord gave them a great revival at Pilgrim's Rest three miles east of Crystal Springs. This was his fourth revival with this church and the tenth time to be with pastor R. W. Bryant. There were 31 additions to the church and a large sum of money raised to build a pastor's home.

Pastor J. M. Metts of Flora, has been given leave of absence by the church until the middle of January, that he may attend the Seminary at Fortworth, Texas.

Forty additions to the church at Indianola resulted from the meeting just closed in which Dr. W. Howard Morgan assisted Pastor H. L. Martin.

Dr. Theo Whitfield has resigned the First Church, McComb, to take effect January 1. He has been pastor there for twelve years and the church has doubled in number and grown spirituality and efficiency.

Brother W. A. Sullivan of Oklahoma, reports that every phase of his work is in high tide.

Sunday it was the privilege of the Editor to preach for pastor Roland Q. Levavell at Oxford. These people are trained to listen as well work and they made the day one of pleasure to the visitor.

Rev. Clarence Palmer, Associational missionary of Itawamba County, was re-elected to that position for 1947 by the Itawamba Association in its recent annual session.



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

CONFERENCES CONTINUE

The conference in First Church, Biloxi, on October 31, and the conference in the South Side Church, Meridian, on November 1, will conclude the first week of our fall district meetings. Rev. T. B. Hawkins, missionary to Argentina, has been with us this week.

Rev. R. Elton Johnson for Second Week

Our missionary speaker for the second week of the conference is Rev. R. Elton Johnson, missionary to Brazil. George W. Schroeder will continue with us. District Five will meet with the First Church, Columbus, on November 4; District Four will meet with the First Church, Tupelo, November 5; District Three will meet with the First Church, Water Valley, on November 7; and the last meeting of the series will be held with the First Church, Greenville, on November 8. All meetings except Water Valley are at 6:30 p. m. At Water Valley no meal will be served; and the meeting will open at 7:00.

MORE LAYMAN'S DAY NEWS

First Church, Booneville: Pastor L. Gordon Sansing reports that Booneville had a most inspiring observance of Layman's Day. The men had charge of the church services morning and evening. The pastor preached in the morning service. In this service there were thirty men in the choir; and Brother Sansing says, "They did the best singing we have had since we have been on the field!" They had a large number of men in the services; and the auditorium was filled to capacity. Thirty-four attended the class for young married men, taught by the pastor. "The spirit of the services was the spirit of conquest and victory for Christ," says the pastor.

Mesa, Walthall: Rev. Marcus Alexander, pastor. Glowing reports of the work and progress of the Mesa Brotherhood are topped by their fine Layman's Day observance. Hubert Magee presided, as a special program was given before the whole church in the evening just before the church hour. The devotional was led by Bill Johnson; The Purpose of the Brotherhood" was discussed by President of the Brotherhood H. H. Breedon; "Our Relationship with each Other" was Ed O'Quin's subject; Webb Thornhill spoke on "The Power of prayer;" and the closing message was on "God's Love for Man," by Seth Brumfield. This Brotherhood held a social for the men and their wives on October 21. They also spoke on Brotherhood work at Silver Creek Church, Pike, on October 20.

Silver Creek, Pike: Rev. Zeno Wells, pastor, had an excellent observance of Layman's Day. Three men made short talks in the morning service; and thirty-five men filled the choir space. In the evening, the state Brotherhood Secretary spoke on Brotherhood work; and a group of men from Mesa Brotherhood gave a testimony to the joy and value of Brotherhood work in their church.

NEW BROTHERHOOD

Calvary, Columbus: Rev. L. B. Wages, pastor, has just reported the officers of their Brotherhood, which was organized in April. The president is James White, Columbus; and the other

officers follow: membership vice-president, J. D. Nolen; program vice-president, J. L. Harper; activities vice-president, E. O. Sykes; and secretary-treasurer, T. C. Thrower, 422 23rd St. Columbus. We are so glad to have the news of this new Brotherhood. They meet monthly and have an average attendance of fifteen.

ORGANIZE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BROTHERHOOD

Lauderdale County Baptist Brotherhood association was organized at Fifteenth Avenue Baptist church on Friday evening. Seventy-two men, representing six active Brotherhoods and representatives of three churches with no Brotherhoods, and of the Stonewall Baptist church, attended.

Evan Godwin of the South Side Baptist church was elected county president, and Gordy Harper of Russell, secretary.

Brotherhoods represented were Eighth and Fifteenth Avenue, First, Highland, South Side and Toombsburg churches. Representatives also were from these other churches: Forty-first Avenue, Poplar Springs and Midway.

Officers will make plans for a quarterly meeting, place and time to be announced.

Horace Heardick, Laurel, Seventh district president, discussed "Christian's Answer to World Problems." He urged taking Christ into daily living and into public life.

The host church men's choir sang, and refreshments were served.

District Six Brotherhood will meet at the South Side church November 1, with a supper-meeting starting at 6:30 p. m. Speakers include George W. Schroeder, Memphis, Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood worker, who will discuss "Essentials of a Successful Brotherhood," and the Rev. T. B. Hawkins, who will speak on "Men for Missions."

Lyle Corey, Highland church, is district president.

JONES COUNTY BROTHERHOOD MEET AT SUMMERLAND

The Rev. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, secretary of The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was the feature speaker Thursday night at the Jones County Baptist Brotherhood Association — meeting with Summerland Baptist church.

New officers elected for this year were: S. H. McDonnell, Summerland, president; Lonnie Meador, Laurel, secretary-treasurer, (reelected); J. D. Roseberry, Beacon church, Laurel, vice-president. The retiring president, Bunk Jordan, with appropriate remarks turned the meeting over to the new president, who in turn introduced the new officers, and pledged his efforts in carrying on the work of the Brotherhood this year.

The next quarterly meeting will be with Mt. Oral Baptist church, east of Laurel in January.

The Rev. D. A. McCall spoke to the men for a few minutes and then showed them pictures of the Mission Work in South America.

The attendance of the twelve churches represented comprising 155 men, was as follows: Beulah 13, Ellisville 4, Laurel First 27, Laurel Second Ave. 6, Beacon 0, Laurel 27, South Laurel 9, West Laurel 13, Mt. Oral 7,

STATE MISSIONS PAYS

Former Chaplain tells of value of R. A. Camp.

"You will be interested to learn that in our camp meeting, which began the very next week after our boys returned home from R. A. Camp, two of the boys, who found Christ as Saviour at Camp, were the very first to come forward on profession of faith, asking for baptism and membership in our church. This is all the more notable, and a credit to the R. A. Camp and all those connected with it, because the parents of these two boys were among the fourteen people who FOLLOWED the lads in making their profession of faith, coming as candidates for baptism. The father of the lads had a very hard struggle to get his own consent to follow his sons; but he was genuinely converted and is making us a useful church member, active in church work and regular attendance. We thank God for the W. M. U., for the Royal Ambassadors and all those who are using these organizations to build the Kingdom of God here on earth."

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Luther J. Holcomb, Lakewood, Belvoir Church, Dallas, Texas from Luther Rice Memorial Church, Washington, D. C.

Truman Skaggs, West End, Paducah, Kentucky from McKinney, Texas.

Bill W. Griffith, Retama Park, Kansas, Texas.

W. Lee Massegee, Sheffield, Texas from Westbrook.

Jimmie E. Jones, Vaughn Boulevard Fort Worth, Texas from Burke.

Titus Aldridge, Eutaw, Alabama.

Paul Minton, First, Goodwater, Alabama.

Chas. W. Caulkins, Brookmont Church, Washington, D. C.

Bruner Lee (Chaplain) to Sweeby, Texas.

John Allen, Hondo, Texas from Bastrop.

Roy Monzingo, Old North Church, Nacogdoches from Martinsville, Texas.

R. E. Bost, West Athens, Texas from Malakoff.

Ed Clark (Chaplain), Calvary, Lufkin, Texas.

Ben Welmaker, Central, Livingston, Texas.

J. D. Bradley, Elkhart, Texas.

C. F. Coffman, Rochelle, Texas from Whiteface.

S. B. Erwin, Loop, Texas from Imperial.

W. L. Lynch, Superintendent City Missions, Durham, North Carolina from Aubudon Church, Henderson, Kentucky.

Warren Carr, Watts Street Church, Durham, North Carolina from First Princeton, West Virginia.

J. C. Hendrick, Checotah, Oklahoma from Weleetka.

W. Barry Garrett, North Tuscon Church, Tuscon, Arizona from Rush Springs, Oklahoma.

Marvin D. Miller, Phillippe Church, Tenn., from Hickman, Kentucky.

L. T. Ray, Valley View, Texas from Aiken.

Henry T. Stokes, Jr., First, Knoxville, Tennessee from Gainesville, Georgia.

Dillard West, Centerville, Tennessee.

James L. White, Campostella Heights, Norfolk, Virginia, from Tabernacle, Newport News, Virginia.

H. T. Sherrill, First, Taloga, Oklahoma.

Tom E. Carter, First, Paul's Valley, Oklahoma from Hillcrest.

C. W. McDonald, North Miami, Florida from Arlington, Florida.

M. N. Pearson, Longwood, Florida.

Ralph Longshore, Altoona, Alabama.

W. H. Swearingen, Cecil, Alabama.

William K. Bean, B. S. U. Secretary, Stetson University, Florida.

Walter A. Brown, Washington, Georgia from Schoolfield, Virginia.

J. H. Warnock, Kiefer, Oklahoma, from S. Heights, Sapulka.

Eert Cherry, First, Madill, Oklahoma.

Boyd Hunt, First, Houston, Texas.



REV. RICHARD S. BRADFORD

Bowmar Avenue Holds Bradford Ordination

Called By Wayside Church

Richard S. (Dick) Bradford was licensed and ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry on October 6, 1946, at Bowmar Avenue church in Vicksburg. He was a deacon for several years, and teacher of a Men's Bible class. Under his leadership the Brotherhood made outstanding progress.

The Wayside church in Warren county called him as pastor and sought his ordination. The Wayside church is entering a full time work under his leadership. He plans to enter college as the opportunity comes, and prepare himself fully for the best service possible. He has a wife and two children.

Active in every phase of the Kingdom, the new Wayside pastor has led in mission Sunday School and in many types of Christian work. Among the other men who have answered the call to preach from Bowmar Avenue church are the following: Judd Glenn, Jimmy Carpenter and Ollie Bryant. All of these are now at Clarke College.

The following had part in the ordination: Rev. Van Hardin of Rolling Fork; Rev. James Fairchild of Vicksburg; Rev. Robert Dickson of Clinton; Rev. S. D. Butler of Vicksburg and Rev. Homer Roberson of Vicksburg, his pastor.

Bard Becomes New Pastor At Ethel

Rev. Paul L. Bard, who is a second year student at New Orleans Theological Seminary, has recently become pastor of the church at Ethel. Mrs. Bard expects to live at Ethel when housing facilities available.

The Rev. Bard is a native of Maryland, and was for some years pastor of Salem Church, Richmond, Virginia.

Under the direction of the new pastor plans are underway for an enlargement of the Sunday School, a new organization of a Training Union and for making an Every Member Canvas for the first time.

Ethel Church is an EVERY FAMILY Church of the Baptist Record.

Rev. D. W. Nix has resigned the pastorate of Friendship Church, Pike County, to accept the pastorate at Independence, Louisiana.



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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DAUNIE JEAN SMITH, Office Secretary

Convention Summary Given

A total of 573 people registered for our recent convention. Several hundreds of others attended. Approximately sixty students dedicated their lives to the will of God at the closing session Sunday. Counting the number of tickets sold and those who were invited as guests of the Mississippi BSU, 383 people were expected at the banquet in the Victory Room of the Hotel Heidelberg on Saturday night. Actually, 339 of us were served.

Many of us believe that the convention was and will be a great blessing to the college students who attended and to the few older people who were with us. The keenest disappointment that I, personally, had was due to the, I think tragically, small number of older people who came.

Sam Cochran and his registration crowd from Mississippi College did a difficult job well. Frank Moak, Sam Betty Gail Clark, and Henry Carter presided in a creditable manner. The speakers, I think, could not have been improved upon, and the over-all student participation in the program was exceedingly fine. We shall not soon forget the organ concerts of Hazel Chisholm and the thoughts expressed by Hudgins, Preston, Caudill, Winders, Howard, Hogan, Williams, Parker, Rogers, Owen, Dean, Mrs. Cooper, Elzey, Hewitt, Mrs. Perez, Walker, Travis, Quarles, Swor, Bowen, Wilds, Cox, McCall, Hedgepeth and others. The true test of the convention's worth will be whether it shall, in future days, result in making our Christian witness, individually and collectively, more effective before a world weak in Faith and lost in Sin.

Convention Quotes

"If I portray self, I shall betray Christ."—Chester Swor.

W. F. Howard said, "Live genuine 'roommate' Christianity." On another occasion he spoke of the need of "scholarship Christianity."

Dr. Caudill spoke most impressively of the fact that God can do GREAT things in and through the individual life which is wholly surrendered to Him.

"There's a great deal of difference between wishing and wanting a thing."—Norman W. Cox.

"Jesus wants more than position or prominence. He wants preeminence."—Chester Swor.

"It's always been easier to be religious than to be good."—Ralph B. Winders.

"We're usually down on a thing because we are not up on it."—William Hall Preston.

Dr. McCall gave many very impressive and challenging examples of men and women living now who are paying "The High Cost of Living Jesus."

"You can't live in low and live high."—William Hall Preston.

New Student Out

The second issue of the 1946-47 series of the Baptist Student has reached my office. This issue, with a football huskie and a stadium on the front cover, contains articles by President Truman, President of the Baptist World Alliance Rushbrooke, Young Lawyer Bob Norman, a pen portrait of Georgia's Governor Arnall, and numerous other interesting and helpful

lines. More Mississippi students should subscribe to the *Baptist Student*. And many more Mississippi students should subscribe to our own state paper, the *Baptist Record*.

Peregrinations

The convention necessarily kept me nearby Jackson for a time, but at this writing I am again on the high road. Eva Lois and I are on our way to Gulf Coast Association and the Louisiana BSU Convention after visiting Jones County Association at Moselle Church. Brethren Horace Headrick, G. A. Nichols, Bryan Simmons, L. G. Gates, H. J. Rushing and others were courteous and cordial and the fried chicken and fixin's were easily par if not better. Gulf Coast Association will end my 1946 tour of what predecessor Riley Munday is pleased to call "the gravy circuit." Well, the gravy, with some incidental chicken, is not half bad, and the associations generally speaking, have been blessings, have been well attended and have been enjoyable.

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Malley Accepts Churches In Simpson County

Harrisville and Braxton churches in Simpson County, have called Rev. V. W. Malley. Rev. Malley is already on the field. He and his family have received a hearty welcome at both churches.

Upon arriving at Harrisville they found a redecorated parsonage, a full pantry and dinner on the table. This was followed by a pantry shower.

Pastor Malley succeeds Rev. O. C. Chance, who recently went to Columbia as pastor of East Columbia Church.

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THE GENESIS OF MISSIONS

Departing from prepared notes of the annual associational sermon, Dr. William Potter, pastor of Carthage Baptist Church, asserted to the convened messengers of the 96th annual Leake County Baptist Association that "The Lord Jesus Christ, His person and His program, is the genesis of all missions and the degree of our interest in any missionary program is in the same degree as our love for Christ, Himself."

Drawing attention to the latest released figures of Mississippi Baptists' participation in the current Relief and Rehabilitation offering, the Carthage pastor continues, "evidently Mississippi Baptists are only 69 per cent interested in Christ and His missions. If we ever had an opportunity to accept a definite challenge to literally feed-hungry souls, physically and spiritually, this offering was 'it' and we have indicated our interest in our debt to the Cross and the Christ of the Cross in something just short of a three quarter payment. If the final accounting of this special mission offering finds Mississippi short of its desired and expected quota we had better forget our pride in accomplishments of state and home missions and beg God to open our spiritual eyes to the missionary needs of this 'one world' in which we still have the Great Commission to carry out."

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REV. CLYDE JONES

Church Organized In Rankin County

Every Family Plan Adopted

The memory of a young Mississippi soldier is honored in the new Paul Truitt Memorial Baptist church which was admitted into the Rankin Association at the 1946 meeting. Rev. Clyde Jones, a student at Mississippi College, is the pastor. Rev. Jones held tent revival in the community last August, starting the services August 20, with three families present. Visiting in the community revealed many who needed and desired a church home near them. They asked the revivalist to help them organize a church. A meeting was called of all people who would be interested in starting a Baptist church. On September 15, 1946, the church was organized with 27 members pledging to support it. They called Rev. Clyde Jones as pastor. Rev. Glenn Sherrod of Clinton assisted in the preliminary work of the new group.

A gift of land from Mrs. Josephine Truitt provided ample space for the church and a pastor's home. The memory of her son, killed in action in the World War II, was honored in the name selected for the church.

The membership grew to 57 members in six weeks. Sunday school is held regularly with 55 enrolled, and Mrs. Jones, the pastor's wife has helped organize a good Woman's Missionary Society, with 16 members. The B. T. U. has 46 enrolled. The church has adopted the *Baptist Record Every Family Plan* and now send the Record to 22 families.

At the Rankin Association, October 9, 1946, the church was granted full membership. The new pastor of this group came from Florida. He was converted in Jacksonville and called to preach in 1937. He has been serving acceptably as pastor at the Silver Springs church in Pike county, which he resigned to found the new church.

The people are enthusiastic and have started a building fund, having already \$1,425 in sight to erect a permanent house. Mrs. B. F. Hemphill is church clerk.

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W. M. U. Organized At Eastside, Jackson

Eastside Church, Jackson, of which Rev. L. S. Polk is pastor, recently organized a W. M. U. and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. S. Polk; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Poindexter; Second Vice-President, Mrs. H. A. Curter; Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Phillips; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Lewis; Treasurer, Mrs. Edgar Manning; Young People's Director, Mrs. Douglas Izard; Sunbeam Counselors, Mrs. Irving Smith and Mrs. T. E. Wynn; Y. W. A. Counselors, Mrs. Douglas Izard and Mrs. Eva Armstrong; R. A. Counselors, Rev. L. S. Polk and George Phillips; G. A. Counselors, Mrs. George Phillips and Mrs. W. R. Thompson.

There are two circles in the W. M. S. and Mrs. Oscar Carlyle of Calvary Church, Jackson, will teach a study course on "Stewardship of Missions" to the society the first week in November.—Mrs. George Phillips, Recording Secretary.

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BY WALTER C. HORNE

The George County Baptist Association held a fine meeting with the Barton Church on Friday, Oct. 11.

The meeting was well attended by messengers from the five churches of the Association. Rev. G. S. Jenkins, former pastor at Lucedale, was elected Moderator, and Mrs. W. S. Freeland as Clerk.

Dr. Fred B. Moseley, pastor at Lucedale, was nominated to represent the Association on the State Board. Rev. Horace Benton and Rev. E. S. Flynt spoke on the work of the State Mission Board. Rev. Bryan Simmons spoke in the interest of the Anti-Saloon League. Rev. Eugene I. Farr spoke on Christian Education.

Reports on various phases of Baptist work were given by messengers of the Association. Rev. G. L. Taylor, pastor at Agricola, preached the associational sermon.

There were 73 baptisms reported during the year, with each one of the five churches reporting baptisms. A total of \$49,685.61 was contributed by the five churches for all causes during the year. Of this amount \$14,910.81 was used for local expenses, \$28,518.95 for building funds; and \$6,255.85 for missions and benevolences. Each church has a Sunday School, a Training Union and a Women's Missionary Union, and three churches have Brotherhood organizations.

Four churches had Daily Vacation Bible Schools. Four of the five churches were full time during the past year and the other church, Shady Grove, voted on the Sunday following the association meeting to enter immediately upon a full time program.

Thus the George County Association has the distinction of having all churches on full time programs. The new pastors in the Association are Dr. Fred B. Moseley, at Lucedale, and Rev. J. N. Holloway at Shady Grove. Two churches were without pastors at the time the Association met — Rocky Creek and Barton. Next year the Association will meet with the Lucedale church on Oct. 9 and 10.

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Premier Tito of Yugoslavia has been excommunicated by the Roman Catholic Church because he persecuted Archbishop Stepinac without Vatican permission.

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Association Names New BTU Officers

The Lawrence County Association Baptist Training Union quarterly meeting was held at Calvary Baptist Church in Silver Creek, October the fourth, using the theme "Youth and Christian Stewardship."

Praise services were led by C. E. Spain of Calvary Baptist Church. The devotion was given by Joe Harris Fortenberry and Glynn Langston of Oakville. Interesting talks on the various phases of Stewardship were given by Mrs. Hiram White of Silver Creek, Mary Lynn Hemphill of Oakville, and Mrs. W. W. Bush of New Hebron. A special song by Misses Carolyn Hemphill and Mildred Hathorn was beautifully rendered. Rev. W. H. Wood, of the Oakvale Baptist Church gave an interesting message on: "Lest Thou Me?" The Oakvale Training Union merited both the Efficiency and the Attendance Banners.

Associational officers as follows were elected: L. P. Jacks, Oakvale, Director; Buell Russell, Carmel, Assistant Director; Miss Frances Fortenberry, Oakvale, Secretary; Rev. W. H. Wood, Oakvale, Pastor Advisor; Mrs. D. O. Horne, Monticello, Adult Adviser; Wilmer Letchworth, Wanilla, Young People's Leader; Miss Sara Weathersby, Intermediate Leader, New Hebron; Mrs. H. T. Bush, Silver Creek, Junior Leader; Mrs. Horace Speights, Oakvale, Story Hour Leader; Rev. C. E. Spain, Silver Creek, Chorister and Mrs. C. E. Spain, Pianist. Refreshments were served by the young people of the Calvary Baptist Church after the program. The next meeting will be held at the Wanilla Baptist Church, December the 6th. Frances Fortenberry.

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SS Marine Lynx Sails With 400 Missionaries Aboard

(Editor's Note: Southern Baptist Missionaries Aboard the Marine Lynx are Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Westbrook and Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Ricketson.)

SAN FRANCISCO—(RNS)—After two postponements, the SS Marine Lynx carrying 400 Protestant missionaries returning to the Orient sailed from here.

The missionaries, representing the vanguard of 8,000 returning to fields in East Asia and the Pacific Islands, are bound for China and the Philippines under the auspices of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

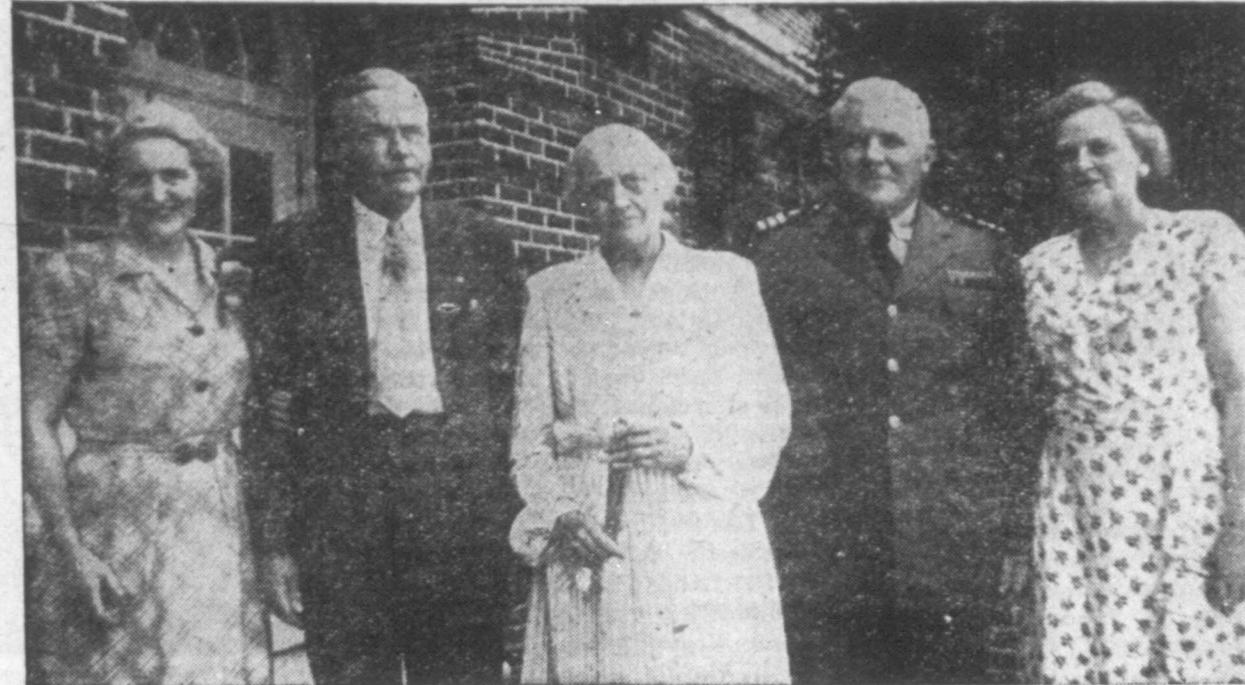
Originally slated to leave San Francisco August 28, the non-reconverted troop carrier was then re-scheduled to sail September 11, but this departure was postponed because of the first maritime strikes.

The sailing was the first mass movement of missionaries back to Asia since VJ-Day and the largest in foreign missions history. It will be followed by a second "missionary ship" at a date as yet unspecified.

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The National Council of Catholic Women passed 46 resolutions at their recent convention in Kansas City. One was that a guarantee of unrestricted freedom of religion and religious worship for all people be incorporated in the peace treaties. Another advocated Federal aid for needy public and parochial schools.

THE BAPTIST RECORD



Stresses Need For Chaplains In Pacific Area

AMERICAN PRESTIGE LOWERED BY CONDUCT OF TROOPS AND OFFICERS

NEW YORK—(RNS)—The need for chaplains in the Pacific area is greater now than it was during the war, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis clergyman and former president of the Northern Baptist Convention, declared here on his return from a two-month air tour of the Orient.

Sent at the request of the Chiefs of Staff of both the Army and the Navy, the Baptist leader officially represented the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains.

To meet the growing need for chaplains, Dr. Johnson disclosed that he was planning to ask the Commission to increase its chaplaincy quotas and to speed up the process of filling them.

Commenting on the behavior of U. S. occupation troops, Dr. Johnson said the "morals and attitudes of replacements in the Orient are lowering American prestige and endangering the nation's diplomatic program for peace."

"Thousands of young, new American servicemen are landing in the Philippines, China, and Japan," he declared, "feeling they are on a vacation with pay. They do not have the combat veteran's respect for our Oriental allies and by their conduct are damaging the reputation of all Americans in these countries."

He also criticized the attitude of officers whose conduct he characterized as "more conspicuously bad than that of the enlisted men."

Dr. Johnson is pastor of Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, chairman of the denomination's World Mission Crusade. His trip took him to Hawaii, the Philippines, Korea, China, and Japan—a distance of 22,000 miles.

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M. G. AUSTIN

M. G. Austin, age 84, passed away on his fifty-first wedding anniversary, September 15, 1946, at his home near Oxford. Surviving are his wife and five sons and daughters, M. H. of Columbus, Ohio; S. G., Tie Plant, W. C. Taylor, Mrs. J. M. Berry, Memphis and Mrs. Herman McCain of Oxford. Eleven grandchildren also survive him.

Funeral services were held at Pilgrim's Rest Church of which he had been a member for 62 years. His pastor, Rev. Claude Howe, was in charge of the services.

In this picture are shown the widow and surviving children of Dr. W. T. Lowrey, who was for 27 years president of Blue Mountain College, and 13 years president of Mississippi College, when they gathered in a family reunion at Blue Mountain College recently with several other relatives.

Left to right: Miss Sara Lowrey, head of the department of speech, Baylor University, Waco, Texas; W. T. Lowrey, Jr., New Albany; Mrs. W. T. Lowrey; Commander Searcy J. Lowrey of the U. S. Coast Guard; and Mrs. John H. Buchanan, wife of Dr. Buchanan, pastor of Southside Baptist Church of Birmingham, Alabama.—Paid.

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Delta Pastors Meet

The Delta Pastors' Conference met at the Drew Baptist Church October 14 with 16 pastors and missionaries present. The meeting was opened by the chairman, Dr. Charles Treadway of Cleveland. After opening remarks and introduction of new members Rev. Nat Tracy of Ruleville brought the devotional. Rev. Nat Tracy was elected to serve as secretary of the conference. Rev. H. Grady Wilkes of Duncan was elected to serve as reporter.

The well arranged program was in charge of Dr. Treadway, every topic was inspiring and informative, as follows:

1. Choice of Sermon Topics—Rev. H. Grady Wilkes, Duncan; 2. Collecting Sermon Materials—Rev. Chester Molpus, Benzon; 3. Use of Illustrations—Rev. Chester Quarles, Leland and 4. Giving the Invitation—Rev. W. G. Hardin, Drew. Dinner was served in a local restaurant and an hour of fellowship was enjoyed.

All pastors of the Delta are invited to attend meetings which are held on Monday after the second Sunday of each month.

Dixie Church Holds Revival And Bible School Simultaneously

Rev. Virgil Ratcliff, of Petal-Harvey Church assisted Pastor C. S. Moulder of Dixie Church, Lebanon Association by preaching during the revival meeting. The music was directed by Rev. Jimmy Riley, assistant pastor and choir director of Dixie Church.

There were 44 additions to the church, 40 of whom came on profession of faith.

An average attendance of 90 was maintained during the Vacation Bible

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Pews Presented To Phalti Church

Phalti Baptist Church, Jeff Davis County, is enjoying new pews for the auditorium. This much needed improvement was a recent contribution by Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Polk, who are among the few remaining charter members of the church. It is said to be the largest single contribution ever made to the church here.

Sunday morning, October 13, the donors of this generous gift stood at the front of the church to see the large audience stand, as a token of genuine appreciation. The example of these great and liberal souls is an inspiration to the entire church.

Rev. J. K. Moore is the pastor of this progressive rural church.

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Lucedale Church Ordains Five New Deacons

In an impressive service on Layman's Day, October 13th, the Lucedale Baptist Church ordained five new deacons, who had been elected by the church on the previous Sunday.

Those who were ordained are: Tom S. Doty, M. Arthur Eubanks, James R. Goff, J. Walter Horne and Dr. A. K. McMillan.

Bro. T. M. Ferrill, chairman of the deacons, presided at the ordination service.

Deacons M. L. Malone and O. Z. Smith presented the Bible and gave the charge to the new deacons.

Dr. Fred Moseley, pastor of the Lucedale church, preached the ordination sermon, and Rev. G. S. Jenkins, former pastor, led in the ordination prayer. Four preachers and twelve deacons participated in the laying on of hands. The ordination of these five brethren increased the number of deacons of the Lucedale church to seventeen.

School which was held the same week as the revival. The following composed the members of the faculty: Mrs. H. C. Hudson, Jean Williamson, Ruby Williamson, Miss Gladys Bryant, Miss Joyce Moulder, Mrs. Opal Lott, Mrs. Dora Mixon, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. J. C. Tracy, Mrs. J. K. Barrett, Mrs. Cecil Ryan, Ralph Morse, Jerry Morse, Jr.; Bradford Jackson, Allison Barlow and Rev. Jimmy Riley.

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GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

DEER CREEK ASSOCIATION
No association exceeds Deer Creek in attendance, interest and enthusiasm. The association met on Monday night and Tuesday, October 14 and 15 at Catchings. AND THE HOUSE WAS FULL. As we had to hurry on to be at the Bolivar Association on Tuesday, we "regretfully" heard the Catchings' pastor, Rev. Dan Morton announce at the night session that at midnight they would begin barbecuing a young steer to be served at noon on Tuesday.

The program committee very graciously arranged for us to have 45 minutes at the night session. We used the time to speak on "The Bigness of Baptist Business."

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. E. C. Farr. It was a good one. No better report on Christian Education has been heard anywhere than the one by Chester Malpus, Belzoni pastor.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. Chester Quarles; vice-moderator, Rev. Dan Morton; clerk and treasurer, Rev. J. W. T. Siler.

Record readers in Deer Creek Association 1; ARCOLA 51; GREENVILLE, FIRST 271; GREENVILLE SECOND 34; HOLLANDALE 113; LEELAND 230; SWIFTWATER 11; FERRIDAY 21; DARLOVE 45; Chatham 1; Alexander Memorial 21; Calvary 7; GREENVILLE, EAST 25; BELZONI 173; ISOLA 11; Silver City 31; Wildwood 1; VALLEY PARK 15; Glen Allen 5; TALLULA 14; ANGUILLA 40; CARY 19; CATCHINGS 30; ROLLING FORK 67; SPANISH FORT 16; STRAIGHT BAYOU 1.

VANCLEAVE ADVANCES

Having tried the Baptist Record and found it NOT Wanting, the Vancleave Baptists recently revised their list UPWARD. The old list contained 15 names, the new one 32.

Mrs. Ada Davis is the church treasurer, who sent the revised list.

Record readers in Jackson County are now listed as follows: FRIENDSHIP 25, EAST MOSS POINT 87, EAST SIDE PASCAGOULA 25, ESCATAWPA 51, GAUTIER 30, KREOLE 35, MOSS POINT 79, OCEAN SPRINGS 33, PASCAGOULA FIRST 376, RED CREEK UNION 19, VANCLEAVE 32, WADE 37, FOUNTAIN BLEAU 17, FORT BAYOU 17, CALvary 187, UNITY 22, Sulphur Springs 1.

RANKIN COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Featured by a good sermon by Rev. E. N. Sullivan; a challenging Sunday School report by Rev. G. W. Smith; an inspiring presentation of Christian Education by Dr. Howard E. Spell, and a sumptuous dinner the Rankin County Association which met at Star was one of the best in many years.

Dr. R. B. Gunter made a challenging speech on the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign.

The Baptist Record was allotted 30 minutes at the morning session and we used all of it to explain the benefits of the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Several people promised to go home and become doers and not hearers only. One EVERY FAMILY list was paid for during the dinner hour.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. Wayne Allison; Vice-moderator, Rev. G. W. Smith; clerk-treasurer, H. M. Steen.

A new church, Paul Truitt Memorial

Praises Former Mississippi Man

Dr. B. C. Land, Director of Stewardship Florida, has written a fine letter to the Editor regarding the excellent work of Rev. Carl Bates at Leesburg, Fla., a "Mississippi boy who has made good in another state." Dr. Land says that the work at Leesburg has grown phenomenally and the budget has increased four times over what it was when Rev. Bates came. This year the Leesburg church gave \$43,930, of which more than half went to mission causes.

Mrs. Bates is the former Myra Gray of Tupelo, while he is a native of Liberty. The entire church loves and appreciates the Bates family, according to Dr. Land who has just completed a meeting with them. Dr. Land is also a Mississippian who is now serving in Florida.

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EVERETT L. WOODS

Sorrow, indeed, entered the home of the Woods family near Byhalia October 10, 1946, when death claimed the devoted husband and father, Everett L. Woods, after a long illness.

The funeral service was held at Emery church near Watson. The Rev. W. W. Milligan officiated.

Mr. Woods was the son of the late Mrs. Sarah Ella and Prentis Lamar Woods. He married Miss Bertha Maxwell and this union was blessed with six children—Roger French and J. P. of Byhalia and Mrs. Sarah Chiozzo, Mrs. Leverne Bigham and Mrs. Ruby Webb of Memphis, Tennessee. He is also survived by two brothers, Luell and Howard of Holly Springs, and three sisters—Mrs. H. E. Herring, McRae, Ark., Mrs. W. B. Flinn, Olive Branch and Mrs. J. R. Brown, Leland.

He surrendered his life to Christ at an early age and joined the Baptist church. He was faithful to his profession and to his God. He followed the teachings and examples of Jesus in all his dealing with people, and he found a real joy and pleasure in helping others with his means, his counsel and encouragement. The officiating minister said of him "The world is more beautiful because Everett L. Woods lived in it."

The many friends of the family wish for the bereaved ones the comfort at this sad time, that only our Heavenly Father can give.

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Two partners decided they needed a hostess in their office so they advertised in the papers for one. After an interview with a big buxom blond, the partners excused themselves to discuss her in private.

"She won't do," protested one, "she's too big in the first place."

"In the second place, too," agreed the other.

of which Rev. Clyde Jones is pastor was admitted into the Association. The new church was organized with 27 members and has full time services.

Baptist Record subscribers are now listed as follows: FANNIN 18, ANTOCH 52, Barefoot 2, BRANDON 49, BRIAR HILL 48, CATO 34, CLEAR BRANCH 47, PUCKETT 41, CONCORD 15, COUNTY LINE 46, Galilee 1, HICKORY RIDGE 22, JOHNS 27, LEESBURG 33, MIZPAH 36, MOUNTAIN CREEK 21, OAKDALE 45, PEARSON 26, PELAHATCHIE 69, MT. PISGAH 43, Rehobeth 2, RICHLAND 56, Rock Hill 12, STEEN'S CREEK 90, UNION 28, STAR 47, BETHEL 15, LIBERTY 19, PEARL CITY 27, PAUL TRUITT FEMORIAL 22.

REV. D. I. YOUNG, JR., IS PASTOR AT SKENE



PASTOR AT SKENE

The members of the Skene Baptist church are welcoming their new pastor, Rev. D. I. Young, Jr., who has been on the field about two months. He came to them from Greenville where he worked in the Y. M. C. A. and the schools. Much progress has been made since his coming. In a revival there were 19 additions to the church. Rev. C. M. Day of Durant was the evangelist. The pastorum has been remodeled and butane gas has been installed in the church and the home.

A Church Library has been started with a good selection of books. The Ministers Retirement plan has been adopted by the church. The Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record proves popular with the people. The building program already decided upon is progressing in a fine way. Mrs. Bob Hayes is the reporter for this church.

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WASHINGTON REVIEW

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the whole matter that the joint conference committee on public relations has appointed a sub-committee to go into the subject from every angle and to make a report soon to the whole committee. Dr. J. M. Dawson, executive secretary of the joint conference committee here, frankly says that he considers the question in the "twilight zone."

Several of the Protestant religious representatives say candidly that they are waiting for the Roman Catholics to register. If the Catholics do not register with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as some persons seem to think they should, then these Protestant representatives declare that they will not register either.

SEEK CHANGES

Pressure is being applied on the President and the various executive departments in regard to three matters of interest to many church people.

1—Letters by the dozens are being sent and many conferences are being held to convince President Truman that he should grant general amnesty to the thousands of conscientious objectors who are still in prison.

2—Conferences are being held regularly between church representatives and government agencies in attempts to get a promise of greater support for a more liberal immigration policy. However, it is generally conceded that nothing new along this line can be done until Congress reconvenes, for



CONGREGATIONAL SINGING IMPORTANT

Many of our churches are realizing the importance of good congregational singing and doing something about it.

Many factors are involved in this important part of our worship, some of which we have no control, at present, and others that could be improved upon.

First, we cannot expect to have good singing unless a place is provided for it and the people are invited and urged to take part.

Second, people will not sing unless there is an ample supply of Hymnals. Unfortunately we have not been able to supply the demand for song books. We hope that this situation is going to change and we are getting more books now.

Third, poor lighting will keep people from singing. When people lose the place or cannot see the words, they drop out of the singing.

Fourth, too much emphasis placed upon special music by choirs will weaken the congregational singing. They like to listen.

Let us try in every way to get 100 percent participation in this part of our program.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Have you written the Baptist Book Store about your Christmas music? They have a good supply and there is quite a variety to select from.

Plan now to have some kind of Christmas music. Watch this column for a suggested program that will use all choirs.

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Each week we are getting requests for Quartet books furnished free by this department. Send us the names of your quartet and we will send the books.

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Let us have your needs and see what we can do about it. Write the Music Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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MONTREAL, Que.—(by RNS)—"Bogus degrees" are out so far as the United Church of Canada is concerned. Its general council voted here that degrees must be certified by the presbyteries. "We don't want men in the ministry getting degrees by reading a couple of books, writing a thesis and paying \$2 to somebody outside our jurisdiction," said Dr. Gordon Sisco, general secretary.

only Congress has the power actually to change immigration quotas.

3—A number of church leaders are writing to the President and interested agency heads regarding relaxation of the ban on church construction. It's felt that this pressure is effective and that a partial relaxation will come as soon as possible.

SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Complete returns for the associational year from more than 200 associations indicate that the loss in baptisms for 1946 below 1945 will be less than first feared by a survey made in June.

"The Greatest Achievement," a 20-minute 16mm sound motion picture on the life of the late Dr. George W. Truett, is now available for distribution by Baptist Book Stores. Photography is by W. O. Vaught Jr.

Plan for a tour to the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen next summer are being made under the direction of Dr. Bill Marshall, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

Nine hundred Catholic missionaries have been sent overseas since 1940 to make the total 3,093. Sixty-two Catholic sisters left as missionaries last week, many of them "solid Catholic" South America. American Catholics spent \$300,000 for Negro schools in the South last year.

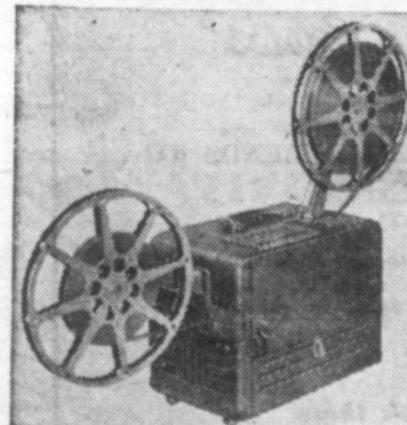
Melvin Roberts, Educational Director of the Calvary Church, Jackson, was in a meeting this week of October 12-20 with Dr. J. G. Cothran, of First Church, Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Dr. Cothran was until June of this year director of the Education Building Program, for the General Association of Kentucky Baptists. Dr. Cothran did the preaching and Mr. Roberts conducted the music. There were 158 decisions during the revival and 58 additions to the church. Arkadelphia is the home of Ouachita College.

In the report made at the Bolivar Association, the Duncan church showed that \$11,205 had been given last year for all causes. The active membership numbers 134, with an enrollment of 125 in Sunday school, 47 in Training Union and 51 in W. M. S. This active membership is double that of a year ago. H. Grady Wilkes is pastor.

Dr. B. B. Hilburn is now giving all his time to the promotion of the Ministers' Retirement Plan and the Widows' Supplemental Annuity Plan. He will be glad to assist in any way that he can. He will be glad to present these plans to his church or some group. Those interested should write: Dr. B. B. Hilburn, P. O. Box 530, Jackson 105, Miss., or 708 Manning Ave., Hattiesburg.

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Durant Baptists under the leadership of Rev. C. M. Day are rejoicing over 98 additions during last year, 41 of whom came by baptism. The church gifts reached a total of \$17,362. The work revealed progress along every phase of the work. Plans are going forward to secure a pipe organ in the future.

Evansville church ordained six deacons, with the following taking part: Pastor L. B. Kenley; Rev. Oliver Pittman, pastor of the Levi church in Memphis; W. H. Hatcher, G. H. Bridges and F. Brumblow, deacons of the Levi church. A solo by Rev. Pittman was an enjoyable feature.—Mrs. C. P. Darby, Reporter.

Rev. Lowrey Compere of Jackson was guest evangelist at the Gentilly Baptist church, New Orleans in a revival last week. There were 16 additions. Pastor W. W. Hamilton was warm in his praise of the fine work done by the Northside pastor.

J. P. Niland, a deacon in the church, presented an electric bell to the Duncan Sunday school, recently. This was installed by Revis Westbrook, and adds much to the efficiency of the teaching and training divisions of the church.

A former Mississippian now in another state writes: "I can't ever become reconciled to doing without the Record. I had rather be without meat occasionally than do without the Record. It is a good tonic for the spirit."

Mrs. Lena Dees, church clerk of Pilgrim's Rest Church, Attala County, recently sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions for the Record. It helped us almost over the 55,000 mark in circulation.

The **Baptist Record** has no better friend than Rev. A. F. Brasher of Calhoun County. He recently sent a nice list from Mt. Moriah and Pilgrim's Rest Churches.

O. H. Butler, church clerk at Brooksville recently sent a nice list of renewal subscriptions to the Record. Friends like these have had a large part in building the circulation of the Baptist Record to almost 55,000 weekly.

J. Homer Hodge of New Prospect Church, Tishomingo County, is a friend of the Baptist Record. He recently sent a list of five new subscriptions.

H. V. Rankin, treasurer of Shady Grove, Church, Smith County, recently sent a list of 30 renewal subscriptions. Such friends help build the circulation of the Baptist Record. Rev. S. E. Sumrall is pastor.

Miss Helen Dale Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Armstrong of Georgetown, Miss., has accepted a position with the Sunday School Board in Nashville, as secretary to Jesse Daniel. She graduated in June at Mississippi College with special distinction. —Miss Winona Byrd, a native Mississippian has accepted work as the secretary of C. Aubrey Hearn at Nashville, according to news from the Sunday School Board.

West Corinth Baptist Church has just closed Laymans Revival with Dr. John L. Hill as speaker and Mr. R. E. Meeks, singer. My testimony is that if more would have these revivals as suggested by our convention we would really feel a great spiritual uplift. It was simply great with us. —Jas. B. Ray, pastor.

According to the Mississippi Alumni President, Rev. L. G. Sansing, the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Alumni Luncheon will be held in the First Baptist Church Jackson, Miss., Wednesday November 13. Tickets \$1.25 each. Miss Clarice Conner, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., will have charge of ticket sales. Alumni and friends invited.

Rev. James Basden of Belton, Texas, conducted a revival at the Brooksville church beginning September 15, and running two weeks. There were nine additions. Pastor James Monroe assisted in the meeting. —John Henley.



Leaders in the National Alumnae Association of Blue Mountain College (Left to Right) Monte McMahan, Batesville, newly elected President of the Junior Alumnae Association; Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, a former President of the National Alumnae Association; Mrs. L. D. Marks, Memphis, Tennessee, newly elected President of the National Alumnae Association; Mrs. J. B. Black, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, a former national president and the present National Historian.

— A Baptist World Youth Congress will be held in connection with the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen, Denmark, July 29-August 3. Dr. Frank Leavell, secretary of the Baptist Student Department of the Sunday School Board, will conduct a tour to the Congress.

— Interesting reports from Southern Baptist associational meetings: The Bellevue Church, Memphis, R. G. Lee, pastor, reports 354 baptisms for associational year. The First Church, San Antonio reports 279 and Nogales Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma, reports 252. The First Baptist Church, Dallas, reports total gifts of \$406,346, with \$232,435 going for missions. Last minute information is that the Highland Park Church, Chattanooga, had 271 baptisms for year. Lee Roberson is the pastor.

Luther A. Harrison, State Music Secretary, and Dr. Norman W. Cox were with pastor, Chester A. Molpus and the Belzoni Church in revival meetings October 20-27 in which there were 33 additions of which 11 were by letter and 22 by baptism. The church was revived, good congregations attended the services and there were many evidences of blessing from God throughout the meeting. In the judgment of the visiting brethren who assisted in the meeting a great work for the Lord is being done by the pastor and church in Belzoni.

The Antioch Baptist Church, Lawrence County, is making much progress under the leadership of Rev. M. M. Brown, Jr., Pastor. In the past year the church has grown from 1/4 to 1/2 time. The Every-Family Plan of THE BAPTIST RECORD has been included in the Budget, a new BTU has been organized, and 2 WMS circles have been organized. Plans are under way for the building of 5 new educational rooms. On October 27, there were 58 present for Sunday School and 42 present for BTU.

The following Blue Mountain students have been named to appear in the feature section of the college annual, The Mountaineer: Friendliest, Corinne Griffin, Laurel; most charming, Martha Hollis, Derma; most versatile, Jean McCarty, Birmingham, Ala.; wittiest, Floris Gore, Marks; sportsmanship, Evelyn Wright, Greenfield, Tenn.

The faculty named Frances Gene Hannaford, Jackson, most intellectual.

Harrisburg, Pa. (RNS) Retirement of Dr. Edwin G. Frye, for 27 years editor of The Evangelical Messenger, was announced here at the annual meeting of the Board of Publication of the Evangelical Church. Dr. W. E. Peffley, of Lemoyne, Pa., also announced his resignation as editor of Evangelical Sunday school literature.

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Lesson for November Third
PAUL CHAMPIONS FREEDOM AND BROTHERHOOD. Acts 15:1-35; Galatians 2, 5.

I. The Magna Charta of the Christian Church. This is the fifteenth chapter of Acts. If we would master the reasonings of this chapter and fearlessly reduce its teachings to practice, we should thereby give the churches a new starting place. For this chapter shears through all formalism to the realities, frees Christianity of every man-made addition to God's simple and awful requirement of man, and brings him back to this one thing: "By grace have ye been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is God's gift; not of works lest any man should glory." Today there are a lot of people, other than those dupes of Satan, Jehovah's Witnesses and the Seventh-Day Adventists, who will not be content except they find onto man a set of ceremonies to observe and commandments to obey as their requirement, not God's, for the inheritance of eternal life. Oh! When will men turn from the counsels of the Devil and his dupes to learn that salvation comes solely through faith in Jesus, and nothing else!

II. The Mother Church Gives Counsel. Acts 15:1-35. Among the great early churches was one at Antioch in Syria. This was a great gentile church to which Barnabas had brought Paul from Tarsus, and in which Paul had labored for a whole year in evangelistic services, and might have continued had not the Holy Spirit commanded him and Barnabas into farther fields. In obedience to this command, they, with young John Mark, had departed from Antioch unto Cyprus, the mainland of the Roman parture, Syrian Antioch. Here they were confronted with the teaching of certain men who had got out of Jewry but still had a lot of Jewry in them. These taught that faith in the Lord Jesus, just faith alone, could save nobody. A man must believe and—a lot of other things—must believe and be circumcised, believe and obey the Jewish ceremonial law, believe and join the right bunch—the Campbellites, the Wesleyites, the Calvinists, the Seven-Day Adventists, the Jehovah's Witnesses, or somebody else. A sinner must believe and do—do—do—else he can not be saved.

So the disciples of Antioch sent a delegation of messengers up to Jerusalem to ask counsel of the mother church. Paul and Barnabas might have said, "We saw the grace of God work in the lives of multitudes who never heard of the ceremony of circumcision, never heard of the process by which a gentile became a Jewish proselyte, whom we never told to do anything beyond, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus and thou shalt be saved'. Did we do right? If we stopped short, how short did we stop? What else should we have told them? The people to whom we preached this simple yet awful, gospel believed it, professed conversion from their sin, and acted just as we did when we received the Holy Spirit?". And the mother church, through the mouths of her children and under the impulse of the Holy Spirit,

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Philipp Church Dedicated

The new church at Philipp, Rev. O. B. Robertson, pastor, was dedicated on September 29. A former pastor, Rev. L. D. Sellers of Carrollton, preached the dedication sermon, at the morning worship hour.

Another former pastor, Rev. Robert Martin of Batesville, preached at the evening worship service.

Since the construction of the new church building the membership has doubled, a new parsonage has been purchased, and the pastor is living on the field.

said, "Children, you have done right." So they went out and continued to do so. But the devil did not quit his job on this account. His Judaizers did not abate their efforts to hamper the work of Paul, nor have they done so to this good day. Every heresy that hell has spawned from that day down has been some form of a mixture of works with grace, some form of religion in which the fleshly heart may take pride in its own meritorious doings.

III. God's Word Through Paul in Galatians. Galatians 5:13-18. Read it! No man is justified in the sight of God in any way other than through simple faith in the Lord Jesus. "Being justified by faith. We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Rom. 5:1). We get peace with God through the faith in the Lord which justifies, that is, God justifies the man, any man, any time, anywhere. who will in simple faith trust Jesus to save him, trust Jesus and nothing more, trust Jesus, and add nothing to that simple trust.

Do you ever wonder whether you have indeed done this? Paul says (Gal. 5:13), that you were called to be free from every bondage to fear, to superstition, to every earthly system of tabus and onerous commandments, into the liberty of the Sons of God. But will that calling make a difference in your conduct? Of course it will! It will set you free to do the right, nay, to feel like you would love to do the right. It will set you free to love all men for the sake of Christ, and to do to all men the gentle behests of love. If the Love of the Lord fills the heart of the believing man, he will delight to live the life of love in the name and for the sake of the Master. Who shall tell the new believer when he is doing this?

"Walk by the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh" (Gal. 5:16). But you would know how to do that? He is here for that purpose. He would guide every believer in the right way. The believer should seek the guidance of the Spirit. And how shall he do this? Let the believer start doing the simple things he knows are right, with prayer and trust in the Spirit to guide him, and it shall be that the Spirit will.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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Stewardship and Evangelism, and our brethren are calling on him quite freely. Dr. T. D. Brown, strong preacher, dynamic Christian personality, is now located at Macon, Mississippi, and should be kept busy by our churches in the fields of evangelism and enlistment.

Rev. W. M. Gardner, 899 Brandon, Jackson, Mississippi; Rev. W. W. Izard, 113 East Oak Street, Oxford, Alabama; Rev. J. F. Woodson, Winnsboro, Louisiana, c/o Rev. Dana Terry, are all outstanding Christian personalities, college and seminary graduates, recently released from the chaplaincy, and should be claimed by some of our fine churches.

ARMY HAS VACANCIES FOR TWENTY CHAPLAINS

At present there are vacancies for twenty Southern Baptist Chaplains in the Army. Through the discharge of chaplains who desire to return to an inactive status and will have completed their two years of service by June 1947, forty additional vacancies will exist.

No new chaplains can be obtained from civilian life. The request is that chaplains return to active service. Only those of company grade and under forty-five years of age should apply for recall. Those who hold Reserve or National Guard commissions are eligible to apply.

The Chaplains Commission for the Southern Baptist Convention desires to maintain its quota of chaplains, and to maintain a complete coverage of the Army with a spiritual ministry.

Former chaplains who are interested may write: Chaplains Commission, Home Mission Board, 161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Janice Church, Perry County, had a revival recently in which Rev. Aaron Foy, pastor, did the preaching and Mrs. Victor Blair directed the music. There were nine additions, seven of them for baptism. William Claek, superintendent of Janice High School permitted the pupils to attend the 11:00 o'clock service, thus enabling many to attend who otherwise would have been prevented from going.—Mrs. I. A. Garraway, Reporter.

Salem Church, Kemper County, Rev. W. E. Butler pastor, has gone from quarter-time to half-time. Services will be held on the second and fourth Sundays. The pastor has also sent a nice list of new subscriptions for the Baptist Record with promise of more to follow.



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BETHESDA BAPTIST CHURCH



BETHESDA CHURCH HAS CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

Bethesda church in Hinds county was organized in 1846 and observed the centennial in May 1946 with a special program and dinner on the ground. The day was one long to be remembered, and was marked by large crowds. In the days during the Civil War and afterward, the church continued its program. Not once in the 100 years has it suspended. Pastors have served from six months to 32 years. Its charter members were farmers who owned their homes, and during the years continued progress has been made.

The church has had three buildings, since the small one-room house of worship erected at the beginning. The building erected in 1900 was destroyed by fire in 1941. The present building is located on 11 acres of land, with a pastor's home nearby. All the property paid for. The work maintained is full time. Pastor J. G. Flynt, who is studying at the New Orleans Seminary has been pastor several years.

In describing the spirit of the church, we have this to say: "Sealing the century just closed with thanks and gratitude, Bethesda church steps into the new century with one vision—the crucified Christ; with one faith—the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation; with one purpose—to lift Him up to a world in need, and with one prayer—"Thy Kingdom Come."

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Dr. Frank Weedon, who for nine years has been pastor of the Denton, Texas, church, has resigned to join the Texas Baptist evangelistic staff. He has had an outstanding pastorate at Denton, receiving approximately 85 per year by baptism into the church.

The Bethel community in Pearl River Association enjoyed the revival last week, in which Pastor T. L. Pfeifer led the singing and Rev. J. C. Murphy did the preaching. There were 20 additions, 16 being by baptism. Record breaking crowds attended.

News from Perkinson has come that Rev. Gaston Mooney has returned from active duty in the chaplaincy for two years. He is a native of Seminary and a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Seminary. He married the former Miss Lucille Roberts of Lucedale. They made their home in Oakland, Calif., during his assignment on the west coast.

The 1946 U. S. Roman Catholic directory shows 792,987 baptisms. Of these 705,557 were infants and 87,430 were converts.

Jones County Baptists Ask Repeal of Black Market Tax; Plead for Better Law Enforcement

Repeal of the "black market" liquor tax and plans for a county-wide mass meeting in the interest of civic righteousness and law enforcement were discussed at the recent meeting of the Jones County Baptist Association which met at a Mozelle.

The report of the Committee on the Digest of Church Letters was made by the chairman, Rev. J. M. Foy, and was adopted. The report follows:

35 churches reporting 10,664 members, 362 baptisms during the year; 35 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 5,898; 28 B. T. U. with an enrollment of 2,187; 11 Brotherhoods with a membership of 230; 19 W. M. S.'s with an enrollment of 815; contributions for local expenses \$137,334.24, and for missions \$32,105.78; 1053 tithers were reported.

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A resolution adopted said "The prohibition and law enforcement situation in Mississippi is indeed serious. Federal liquor licenses, the black market law and the usual postwar laxness in morals are militating against enforcement of the state liquor laws."

The association urged faithfulness

Ordination Held For W. C. Gräves

At the request of the Siwel Baptist church in Hinds county, the Second Baptist church at Greenville ordained W. C. Gräves to the gospel ministry October 13. The new minister is now pastor at Siwel. The examining presbytery met on the preceding evening and examined the candidate regarding his Christian experience, his call to the ministry and his belief about the Word of God. The results marked him as one acceptable for the service and he was recommended for ordination. The examining group was composed of the following preachers: E. D. Elliott, Cecil Avery, D. I. Young, Sr., J. R. Eubanks, and the following deacons: Kern Pratt, Frank Stebbins, Lamar Lowrey, Clay Thompson, Delma Tucker, W. T. Robinson, J. E. Martin, and John Causey.

Rev. J. R. Eubanks was moderator and John Causey was clerk.

On Sunday the ordination message and charge was given by Dr. D. M. Nelson of Clinton, the presenting of the Bible by the pastor, prayer by H. G. Collins of Siwel, laying on of hands and the benediction by Rev. D. I. Young concluded the impressive service. Rev. Gräves is now attending Clarke College, and is a young man of much promise.

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Former Chaplain Woodson Is Available For a Pastorate

Joseph F. Woodson, age 35, whose address is c/o Rev. Dana Terry, Winnsboro, Louisiana, who was reared at Grenada, was released from the Chaplaincy of the Army Air Corps on October 24, is available for a pastorate.

The Rev. Woodson is a graduate of Mississippi College, class of '33 and of the Louisville Seminary, Th.M. '40. His student pastorate, while at Mississippi College, was Elliott and his Kentucky pastorate work was at May's Lick.

Mrs. Woodson is the former Sue Terry, daughter of the late A. J. Terry, missionary to South America, and Mrs. Lula Sparkman Terry, who is still serving in Brazil. The Woodsons have one son.

to total abstinence, jury duty and upholding the hands of the law, and called for appointment of a committee of five to arrange for the mass meeting. The resolution also called on Governor Bailey for repeal of the black market law.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Horace Headrick; clerk, Rev. H. J. Rushing; treasurer, E. D. Hurst. The 1947 session will meet with Sharon Church. Rev. James W. Parrish was selected as the preacher for the 1947 session and Rev. H. L. Courtney as alternate. Other officers elected were:

Member Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, E. D. Hurst; Associational Brotherhood President S. H. McDonnell; Associational Sunday School Superintendent, G. R. Sykes; Associational W. M. U. President, Mrs. S. H. McDonnell; Associational B. T. U. President, Mrs. Adrain Round; B. S. U. Committee S. C. Wallace, Carroll Garstin, Rev. M. K. Lee, J. M. Powell and Rev. B. S. Hilburn.

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. H. J. Rushing who used as his subject, "The Finished Work of Christ and Our Unfinished Task."

Mississippi Group At Louisville Seminary Elects Officers

Ernest Earl Kelly is President

The first monthly meeting of the Mississippi group who are students at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, Kentucky, was held on October 9.

Ernest Earl Kelly of Ecru was elected president of the group. His associates are: George Jenkins, Lucedale, vice-president; Davee Hillman, Leakesville, secretary; Nat Mahall, treasurer; Cannie Marie Crane, Paschaloula, reporter; Ruth Garcia, Argentina, social chairman; Olive Powell, McCamp, program chairman; Kenny Pepper, Louisville, Kentucky, choirister; Maxie King, Canton, pianist.

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DOROTHY PAGE

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they baptized? It was poured on them. Don't forget that. When the outsiders, bewildered at the strange manifestation, asked what it meant, Peter stood up and explained it by saying: "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel." In other words, Peter said it was what Joel the prophet long ago had prophesied would come to pass. And what did Joel say would happen? Listen to Peter: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, that I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh."

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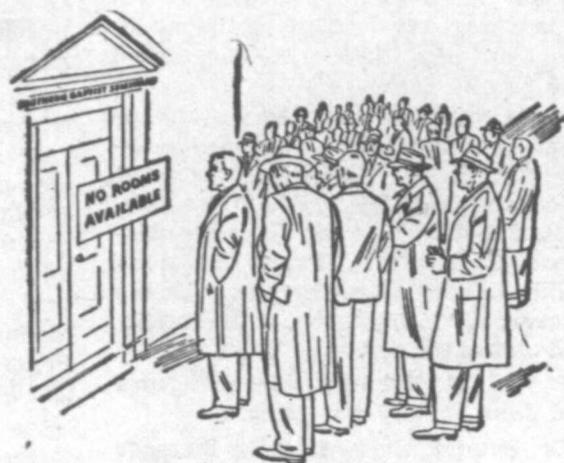
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